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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

To-day.
(June 25.)

Peak Club Annual Meeting, 6 p.m.
Sports Club Annual Meeting, 6.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Bachelor Father."
World Theatre: "Sonny Boy."
Star Theatre: "On the Level."
King's Theatre: "Follow the Leader."
Central Theatre: "The Cat Creeps."
Majestic Theatre: "The Virginian."
Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel.
European Mail.—Inward: Europe via Suez (Anetnor); Europe via Suez (Africa).
Tides.—High at 8.30 and 8.50; Low at 11.40 and 11.51.

Friday.
(June 26.)

Psychology Club meeting, Lane, Crawford, 6 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Bachelor Father."
World Theatre: "Sonny Boy."
Star Theatre: "On the Level."
King's Theatre: "Follow the Leader."
Central Theatre: "The Cat Creeps."
Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.
European Mail.—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Hakodate Maru); Europe via Siberia (Kashima Maru).
Tides.—High at 6.04 and 7.40; Low at 12.55.

Saturday.
(June 27.)

Baseball:—Japanese v. S. China.
Lawn Bowls:—First Division: Police v. Civil Service, Kowloon Dock v. Kowloon C.C., Craighower v. Kowloon B.C.C., Tai Koo v. Club de Recreio; Second Division: Kowloon B.C.C. v. Craighower, Civil Service v. Tai Koo, Kowloon C.C. v. H.K. Electric.
Lawn Tennis:—"A" Division: Kowloon C.C. v. M.B.K., Chinese R.C. v. Indian R.C., Hong Kong C.C. v. South China, "B" Division: Club de Recreio v. South China, Indian R.C. v. University, Kowloon C.C. v. Nippon Club, M.B.K. v. Hong Kong C.C., Civil Service v. Chinese R.C., U.S.R.C. v. Army T.C., Craighower v. South China, Chinese R.C. v. Deutscher Klub, Club de Recreio v. University, Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon Indians, Indian R.C. v. Civil Service.
Queen's Theatre: "Bachelor Father."
World Theatre: "Sonny Boy."
Star Theatre: "On the Level."
King's Theatre: "Follow the Leader."
Dances: Dinner Dances at Peninsula Hotel and Repulse Bay Hotel.
European Mail.—Inward: Europe via Suez (Suva Maru), Outward: Europe via Suez (Kashima Maru), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia, 5 p.m.
Tides.—High at 6.46 and 6.55; Low at 12.03 and 1.50.

THE SURRENDER OF AN EMPIRE.

NESTA H. WEBSTER'S STUDY OF ENGLISH POLICY.

WAS THERE A "HIDDEN HAND" DURING THE WAR?

[REVIEWED AND ANALYSED BY TINDAL KING.]

We are sure that our readers will be interested in the following review and analysis of an interesting and able book. The views expressed are those of the author and do not necessarily coincide with those of the "Daily Press."

"THE SURRENDER OF AN EMPIRE," BY NESTA H. WEBSTER.
This book published early in 1931 is one that should be widely read by Englishmen, as it puts succinctly in 377 pages of good print the whole problem of our once great Empire. It covers the period from 1914 to the present day, and shows that throughout these years "our worst foes have been those of our own household who—some through blindness, some through inertia, some through fear and some through perfidy—have weakened our resistance to the two most formidable enemies our country has ever had to face," viz., Germany and the Soviet Power. As a foreword, Mrs. Webster gives an extract from a speech by Winston Churchill to the Navy League on February 26, 1930, and it is so appropriate that no apology is needed for reproducing it here in full:

During the last few years a sense of powerlessness must have come across those who have taken part in the triumphant exertions which the British Empire has made in the present century. Some spring seems to have snapped in the national consciousness. There is a readiness to cast away all that has been won by measureless sacrifices and achievements. We seem to be the only great nation which does not speak up for itself, which has lost confidence in its mission, which is ready to resign its hard-won rights.

Gordon and Carlyle.

Mrs. Webster opens her book briefly with the causes that led up to the Great War: Its origins, she says, must be sought at least as far back as the time of Frederick the Great. The defeat of Prussia's ancient rival, Austria, in

1806, and of France, the eternal object of its hatred, in 1870, paved the way for the pan-German scheme of world domination to which naturally the British Empire provided the most formidable obstacle. In a telling phrase—that England is always strangely grateful to the men who have misled her—she contrasts a letter to *The Times* after the battle of Sedan from Carlyle on November 18, 1870, with one from General Gordon in 1892 to Mr. James Purdy, published in the *Morning Post* on September 1, 1915.

Carlyle wrote: That noble, patient, deep, pious and solid Germany should be at length welded into a nation and become Queen of the Continent, instead of vapouring, vainglorious, gesticulating, quarrelsome, restless and over-sensitive France, seems to me the hopefulest public fact that has occurred in my time.
Gordon wrote: Every Briton should think of the future of his country and cause each one to insist on the Government passing a measure for compulsory universal military training. So far as England is concerned, she need not for the next quarter of a century, be under any apprehension of serious difficulties arising with any of her European neighbours, but in 1910 or thereabouts there will have arisen a naval Power which may prove mightier than she, and should she (Germany) gain the supremacy, England will become extinct both as a land and sea Power, and all her dependencies, including India, will fall into Germany's clutches. You may live to see this: I shall not, but when that time comes, remember my words.

Our Blind Leaders.

Who was right, Carlyle or General Gordon? Mrs. Webster then goes on to show how after the South African war Lord Roberts, Sir Henry Wilson, Mr. I. J. Moxse and a few others tirelessly though in vain warned their countrymen of the danger of Germany. Lord Roberts in a speech in Manchester (*The Times*, October 23, 1912) said:

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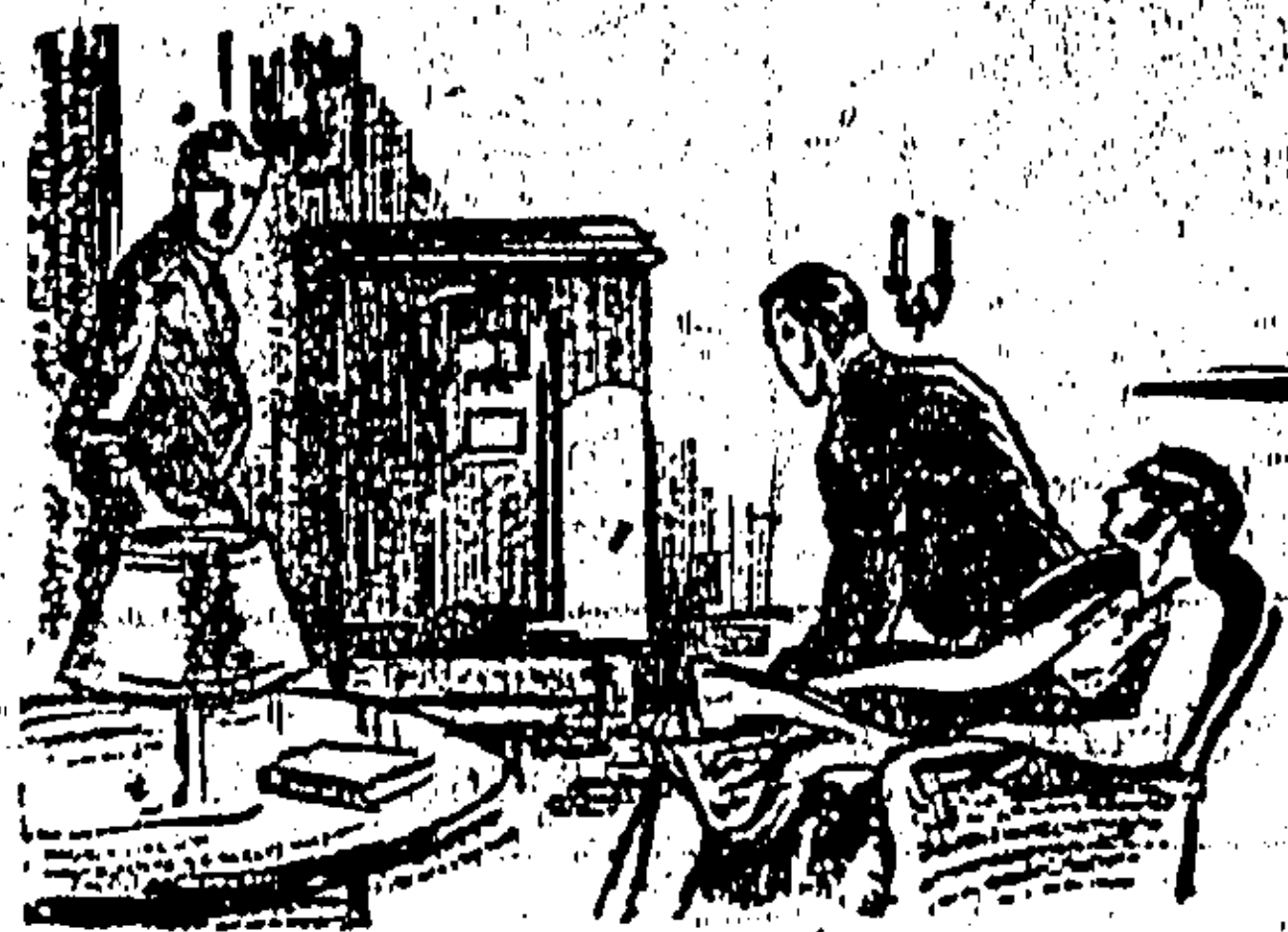
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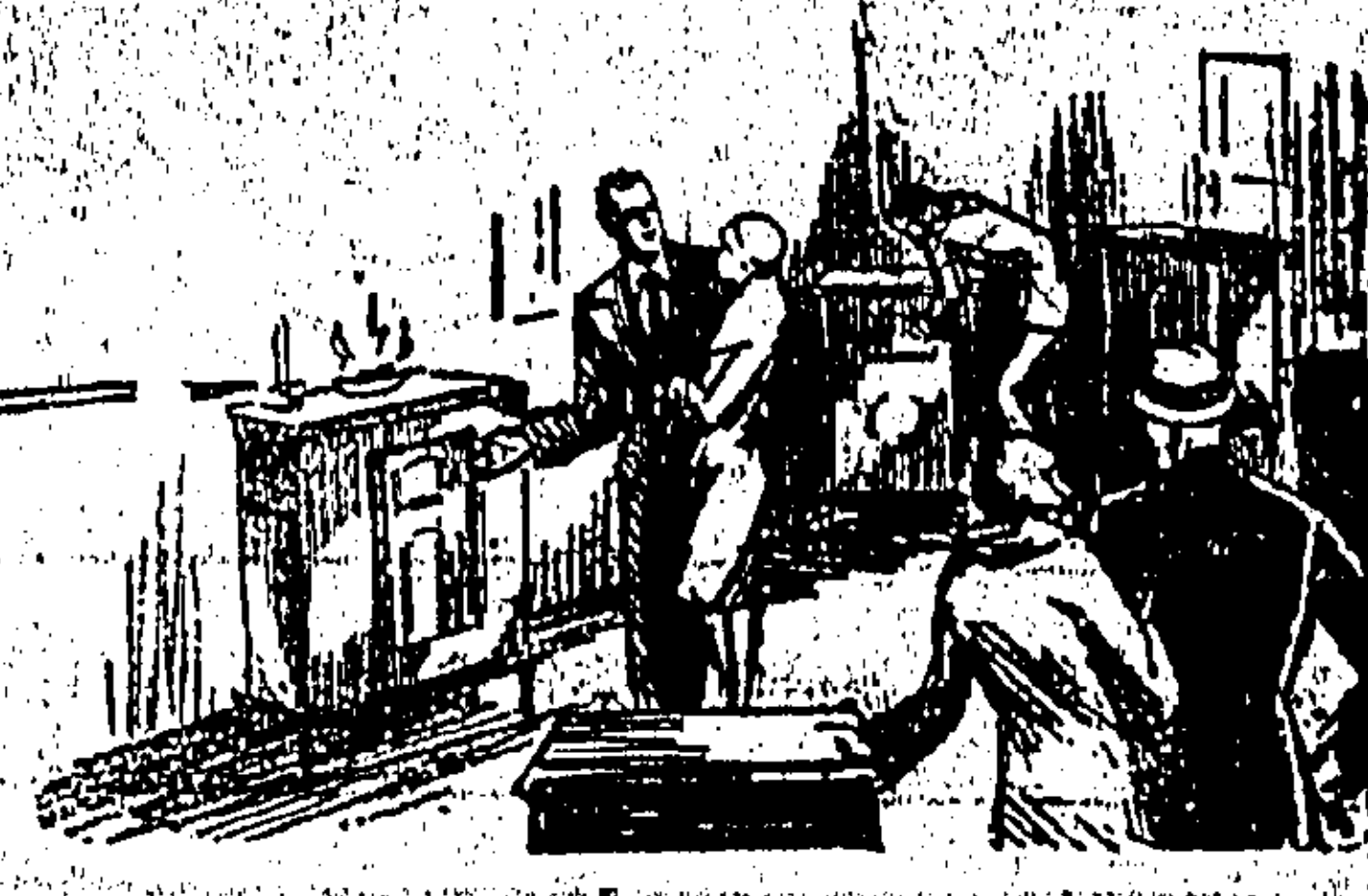
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Most people have a general idea as to the functioning of a superheterodyne receiver. The essential principle is that the main portion of the amplification, and the selection of the required station, is carried out at a fixed wavelength, which is quite different from the wavelength on which one is receiving. By an apparently mysterious process the incoming signals are converted into this other wavelength as and when required. The advantage of the system is, of course, that one can make the intermediate amplified selective and highly powerful by incorporating several stages without the extra number of tuning controls which this would normally involve, since the intermediate stages are of fixed tune.

The simplest way to explain frequency conversion is to work back from ordinary well-known facts. For example, if one's receiver is allowed to oscillate when it is tuned approximately to any given station, a whistle will be heard, due to "heterodyning" or beating between the local oscillation and the carrier wave of the particular transmission being received. The pitch of this whistle can be varied as one alters the tune of one's receiver.

Beat Frequencies.

This whistle arises because we have two oscillations. One is received from the distant transmission, and the other is generated locally in the receiver. The two oscillations are not exactly of the same frequency, and therefore they interfere with one another, and produce beats which in the present instance are of an audible frequency. The actual frequency of the beat is equal to the difference between the frequency of the two oscillations, so that as we bring the receiver more and more into tune with the distant transmission, the pitch of the beat note gradually falls, until it becomes inaudible.

An oscillation is a current which flows first in one direction and then in the other. If we have two such currents, both of which start off together, clearly they will add together, and we will have a current of twice the amplitude, flowing first in one direction and then in the other as before.

If one of the currents, however, is oscillating at a slightly different frequency, it will gradually fall out of step. In certain parts of the cycle, one current will subtract from the other instead of adding to it, this reaching its climax at the point where the two currents are exactly out of step. At such a point, one current will be at a maximum in one direction, while the other current will be a maximum in the opposite direction, and the total effect will be zero. Our resultant current, therefore, varies from twice the normal value to zero and back again.

It will also be quite clear that the rapidity of this variation depends entirely upon the difference in frequency between the currents. If there is no difference at all, then the currents will never fall out of step. If the difference only small it will take a relatively long time before the currents become completely out of step, and in fact the actual time period variation from a maximum to zero and back to a

maximum again, is equal to the difference between the frequencies.

Not An Entirely Separate Oscillation.

Now comes a most important point. We have just seen that this beating or heterodyning arises from a variation in the amplitude of the current, and is not an entirely separate oscillation. But we cannot hear the original high-frequency oscillation, which is far beyond the limit of audibility, and therefore neither can we hear the resultant current produced by the moving of the high frequencies. The effect is exactly the same as the modulation in a telephone transmission. If one places a pair of telephones in the aerial lead of a set no signals can be heard, even though the station is quite close by.

We overcome this defect in an ordinary telephone transmission by rectifying. That is to say, we remove the negative portion of the current by inserting some form of conductor which only allows the current to flow in one direction. Then the state of affairs is quite altered because although the impulses still follow one another at an exceedingly rapid rate, they are now all in the same direction, giving a definite mean or average value. What is more, this value will vary if the strength of the oscillation is changed. In the case of a telephony transmission the strength of the oscillation is continually altering in accordance with the speech or music impressed at the transmitter, we are thus able to hear speech current in a telephone receiver. In the same way, if we have two oscillations heterodyning one another and producing beats as we have just discussed, we can only detect these beats as long as we rectify the resultant current, so that the mean value is capable of varying.

Having appreciated this important point, namely, that the beat frequency produced by mixing two high-frequency oscillations can only be heard after the resultant current has been rectified, we can now proceed one stage further, and consider the case of the superheterodyne. By arranging that the local oscillation is considerably different from the incoming oscillation, say, perhaps, 50 kilocycles different, we can obtain a beat frequency of 50 kilocycles.

Intermediate Frequency.

This is quite above the audible limit, actually corresponding to a wavelength of 6,000 metres. Thus, if we rectify the resultant oscillation we shall obtain our original high-frequency oscillation, modulated at a frequency of 50 kilocycles. We have now finished with the original high-frequency oscillation and, therefore, we by-pass it to earth in some suitable manner, leaving ourselves with the 50 kilocycle variations, which are passed through a suitable intermediate amplifier, where they are modified and interfering signals are rejected. At the end of this we have a relatively large 50 kilocycle carrier, which, however, is again modulated by the low frequencies ranging from 50 to 5,000 cycles, corresponding to the speech or music. The beat frequency produced by the first detector does not affect the

relatively slow variation in amplitude produced by the transmitter, and therefore, these speech modulations are carried right through to the end of the intermediate frequency amplifier.

This possibility will be made clear if one considers the relative frequencies. Our beat frequency is 50,000 cycles. The speech frequency, however, even at the upper frequencies, takes place about five thousand times a second and, therefore, during one complete five-thousand-cycle note we have one hundred variations of the 50 kilocycle carrier wave. It will be quite clear that the low-frequency variation is so slow, relatively speaking, that the simple arguments which have been developed are not affected at all, and we can consider the process taking place just as has already been described, except for the fact that the amplitude of the whole complex oscillation is gradually varying in intensity in accordance with the speech frequencies.

Thus, we are left at the end of the intermediate-frequency amplifier with a strong 50-kilocycle carrier, modulated by speech frequencies just like an ordinary carrier wave. Now 50 kilocycles is still an inaudible frequency, and therefore, we are unable to detect the low-frequency modulation unless we rectify once again. Therefore, it is necessary to have a second rectifier at the end of the intermediate amplifier, as a result of which the mean current in the anode circuit varies in accordance with the speech frequencies, as is the case of an ordinary radio receiver. At this point, therefore, we by-pass the 50-kilocycle oscillation to earth, since we have now finished with it, and we are left with pure low-frequency which may be magnified in the ordinary manner and applied to the loud-speaker.

TOO MUCH BALCONY IN NEW STUDIO.

ALTERATIONS AT B.B.C.'S NEW HOME.

The completion of the super-studio at Broadcasting House, London has been set back a week or two owing to alterations and modifications which have been found necessary.

The studio, with seating accommodation for a 1,000 audience, had a balcony which projected so far into the actual "auditorium" that part of the orchestra would have been underneath the upper floor. This, of course, could not be tolerated, as the acoustics of such a studio would be quite unsuitable for broadcasting. The builders

have now taken a semi-circular lump out of the balcony, so that the entire orchestra will be out in the open floor space.

Ready to Move.

The whole of Savoy Hill's staff, equipment, furniture, and everything will go to Portland-place as soon as Broadcasting House is ready. The earliest move may be expected towards the end of August, for the alterations to the big studio will not cause any delay in moving.

Building is actually well ahead of contract time, and by the end of the autumn Savoy Hill will doubtless be deserted. Meanwhile the next step at Broadcasting House will be to get the wiring done. Electric lighting wires already measure about 50 miles. Soon the radio engineers will do their little bit and add probably another 50 miles of wire. Yes, the B.B.C. do call it "wireless"!

DENMARK DISCUSSIONS.

Mr. Noel Ashbridge, chief engineer of the B.B.C., accompanied by an assistant, has gone to Copenhagen, where he is taking part in international discussions on wave length problems. Officially he is representing the International Broadcasting Union, but no doubt he will be able to negotiate on behalf of the B.B.C. as well.

The meeting is held by the International Consulting Committee on Radio Communication, and although it can only make recom-

mendations, great importance is attached to the deliberations as a possible outcome is a complete reshuffle of European wave lengths.

This, however, would not be accomplished until after the Madrid Radio conference next year.

LOOK TO YOUR AERIAL.

At this time of the year anything from a spider to a flash of lightning may cause trouble to your aerial.

Nature, in fact, seems to be resorting to all sorts of subtleties in order to prevent people listening. She sends ants to nibble away at the foot of the aerial pole; trees grow so quickly that they touch the wire and cause a short circuit to earth; various insects chew through rope halyards; sunshine splits woodwork and ruins exposed ebonite lead-in tubes, and even birds settle on the aerial and sometimes peck at it. Brute force—in the form of lightning or "thunder-bolt"—is contrasted with a mystifying short-circuit caused by damp spider-webs!

MYSTERY FAULTS.

If, therefore, you want to spend a profitable half-hour examine your aerial, closely, and so avoid mysterious faults.

It is a good plan to take the aerial wire down and clean the insulators. Soot on the actual wire does not matter so much (except that the wire gradually corrodes), but on the insulators it may be very detrimental to good reception. If no lightning protector is provided install one as quickly as possible.

HAVE YOU HEARD THESE?

LONG-WAVE STATIONS.

Here are lists of long-wave and short-wave stations which should be picked up by anyone in Hong Kong who has a moderately good set suitable for receiving such signals. Success in picking up these stations also depends very largely upon favourable atmospheric conditions. Readers are invited to add to this list should they succeed in picking up any station not included in either of these lists.

| Wave length (Metres) | Station | Call Sign | Kilo-cycle |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 240 | Manila | K.Z.I.B. | 1,153 |
| 277 | Shanghai | K.S.M.S. | 1,083 |
| 345 | Tokyo | J.O.A.K. | 870 |
| 353 | Hiroshima | J.O.F.K. | 850 |
| 355 | Hong Kong | Z.B.W. | 848 |
| 357.1 | Bombay | V.U.B. | 840 |
| 381 | Sapporo | J.O.I.K. | 830 |
| 396 | Kobe | J.O.D.K. | 820 |
| 370 | Nagoya | J.O.C.K. | 810 |
| 370.4 | Calcutta | V.U.C. | 808.9 |
| 380 | Kumamoto | J.O.G.K. | 790 |
| 390 | Sendai | J.O.H.K. | 770 |
| 395 | Dairen | J.O.A.K. | 760 |
| 400 | Osaka | J.O.B.K. | 750 |
| 410 | Canton | C.M.B. | 738 |
| 480 | Manila | K.Z.R.M. | 625 |

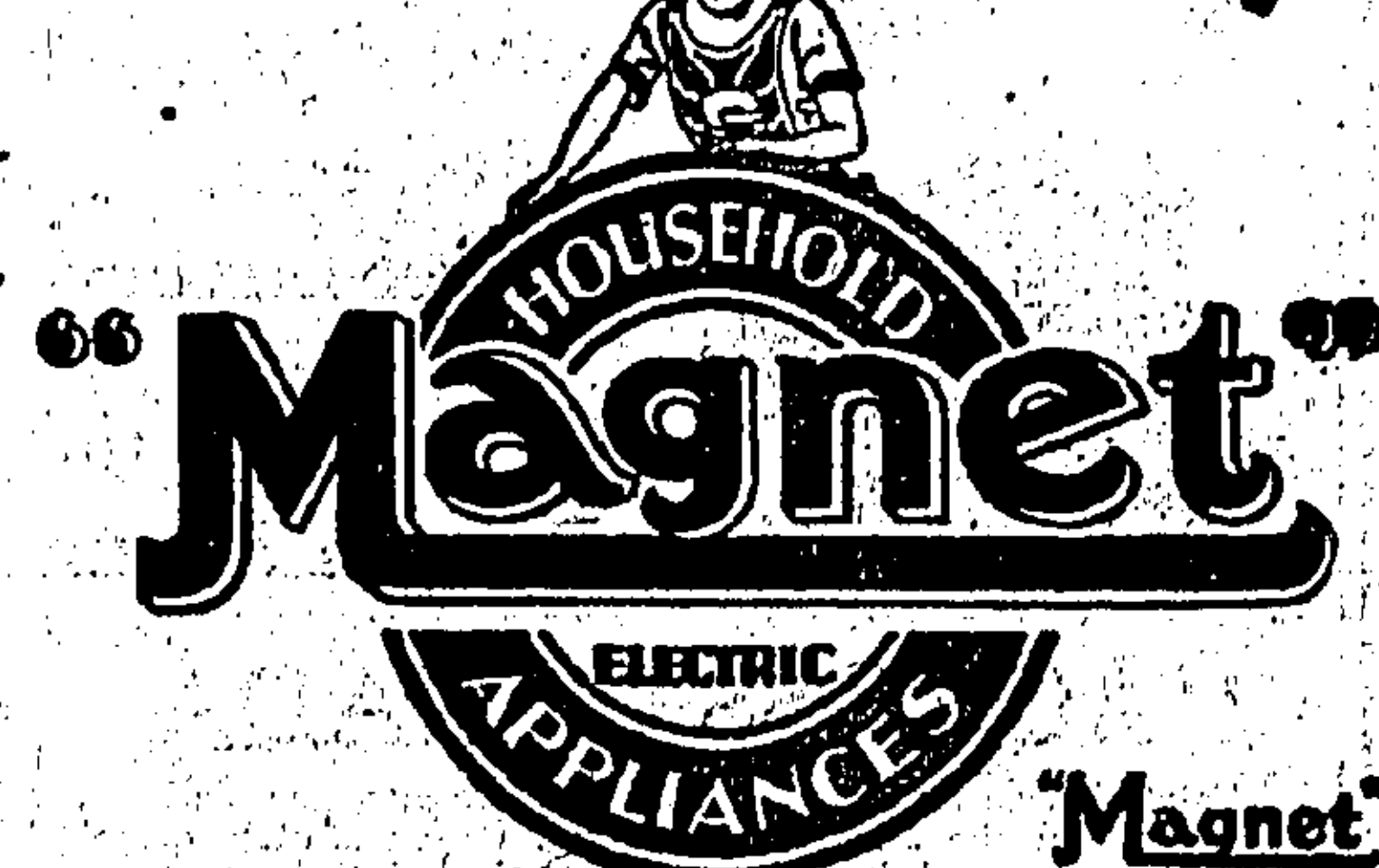
SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

| Wave length (Metres) | STATION | CALL SIGN | Time (Hong Kong) OF WORKING |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------|---|
| 67.05 | Dobnitz (Germany) | A.P.K. | 4,434 Mon., Wed. & Fri., 6 p.m. & 2 a.m. |
| 67.12 | Khabarovsk (Russia) | R.A.O.T. | 4,500 6-10 p.m. |
| 67.7 | Neuau | A.G.F. | 4,591 Not regular |
| 69 | Moscow | R.F.N. | 5,000 Tues., Thurs., Sat., 8 p.m. |
| 69.5 | Bombay | I.M.A. | 5,600 Sunday midnight |
| 69.8 | Porto | G.A.G. | 7,142 Daily 6.30 p.m. & 11 p.m. |
| 71.3 | Singapore | V.S.I.A.B. | 7,810 Not regular |
| 78.8 | Rotterdam (Holland) | P.C.L. | 7,780 Daily 11 p.m. |
| 87 | Bangkok (Siam) | H.S.A.P.J. | 8,108 Tues. & Fri., 9 p.m.—1 a.m. |
| 87.5 | Sydney | S.B.L. | 8,230 Not regular |
| 91.65 | Melbourne | S.I.D. | 9,593 Not regular |
| 91.65 | Scheidegg | W.Z.X.A.F. | 9,630 Daily 7 a.m. |
| 91.20 | Eindhoven (Holland) | P.C.J. | 9,620 Fri. 8 a.m., Sat. 3 a.m. & 10 a.m. |
| 91.28 | Sydney | Z.F.C. | 9,590 Not regular |
| 91 | Nairobi (Kenya) | T.L.O. | 9,577 Daily 11 p.m. |
| 91.6 | Sydney | S.M.E. | 10,528 Not regular |
| 91.6 | Bombay | P.L.R. | 11,020 Midnight—3 a.m. daily |
| 91.6 | Chelmsford (England) | G.S.W. | 11,751 7.30 p.m. & 3 a.m. daily, except Saturday and Sunday |
| 24.5 | Manila | K.I.X.E. | 12,840 Nightly |
| 23.35 | Scheidegg | W.Z.X.O. | 12,850 4 a.m. Wed., Fri., Sat. |
| 18.98 | Bombay | P.L.O. | 15,102 Daily 6.30 p.m. to midnight |
| 18.4 | Rotterdam (Holland) | P.C.L. | 16,804 Daily 7 p.m. |
| 17.4 | Bombay | P.L.F. | 17,230 Daily 8 p.m. to midnight |
| 16.9 | Bangkok | H.S.I.E.J. | 17,751 Sundays 7 p.m. & midnight |
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| 15.74 | Bombay | P.L.E. | 19,220 Daily 6.30—7 p.m. |
| 15.74 | Nancy (France) | P.L.E. | 19,251 Daily 8 a.m. |
| 19.38 | Fitzburg | W.S.X.K. | 21,540 Not regular |

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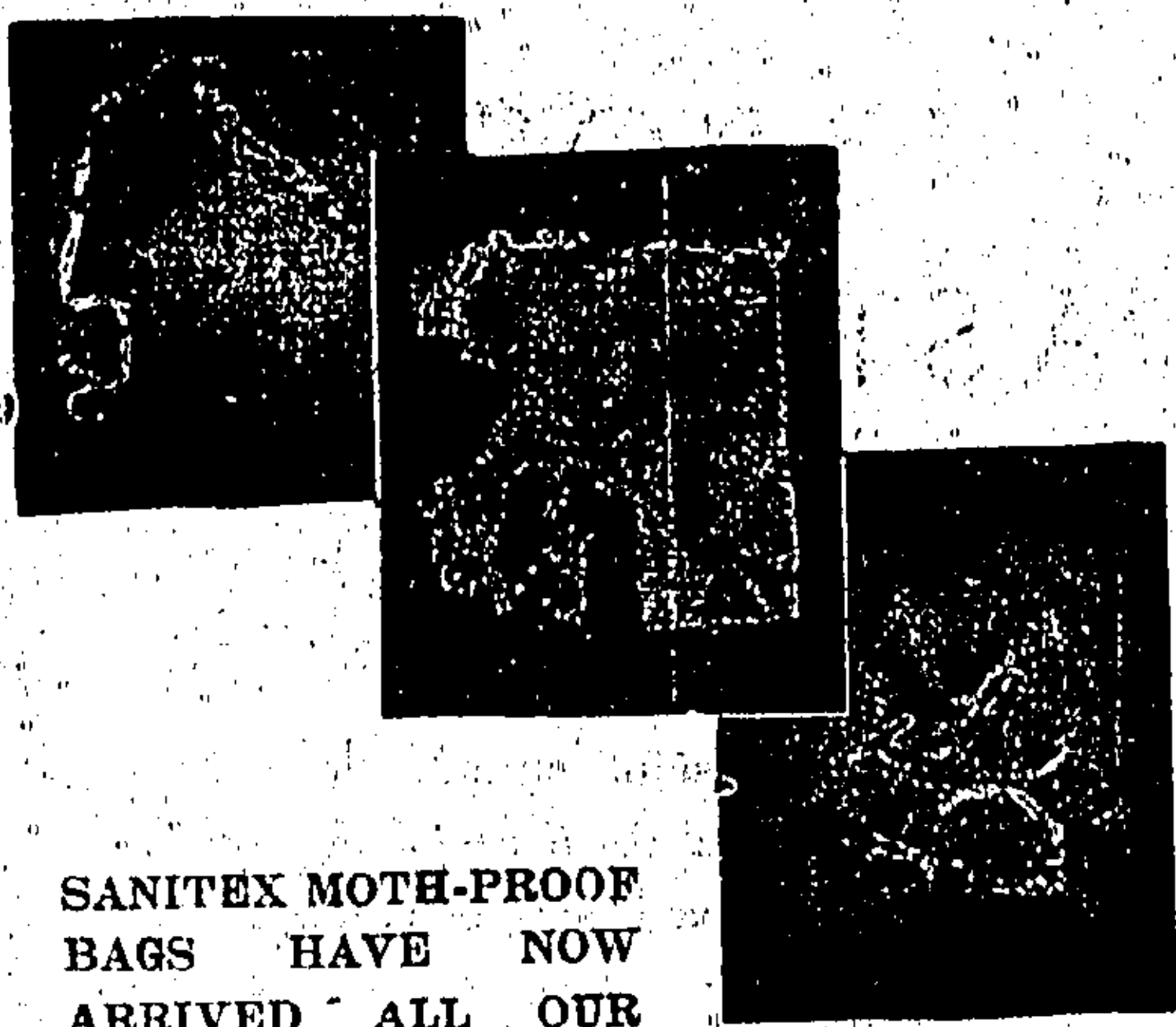
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SHANGHAI, June 24.

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OUT OF DATE COINAGE.

CALLED IN BY KWANGTUNG GOVERNMENT.

An effort is being made by the Canton Government Mint to recall all old and spurious coin, coin which has been in circulation in Kwangtung for many years. It is understood that any person possessing a quantity of this bad coin is requested to return it to the mint where they will receive in exchange the exact amount in good and current coinage less 2½ per cent. (approx.). This small percentage to be deducted is to pay for the extra labour entailed in the melting of the old coins, but will only be deducted however when the amount of old coin returned reaches the value of \$1,000 or more.

THE LATE DR. WU TING FANG.

HOMAGE OF GOVERNMENT LEADERS.

The Heads of the different departments of the Government at Canton recently paid homage at the tomb of the late Dr. Wu Ting Fang, thus commemorating the ninth anniversary of the death of this well-known Chinese politician. Wu Ting Fang was one of the leaders of the Chinese revolution of 1911, and for many years was an outstanding and powerful figure. Dr. C. C. Wu (Wu Chao Chu) who at the recent change of Government at Canton resigned his post as Chinese Minister to the United States, and is now on his way home to China, is a son of Wu Ting Fang and is endeavouring to carry on the political traditions of his family.

ENGLISH GIRL'S OPERA TRIUMPH.

"BLUE DANUBE" DANCE BEFORE KING AND QUEEN.

Miss Mimi Crawford, the young English dancer, making her first appearance in grand opera, scored a great personal success before the King and Queen in "Die Fledermaus" at the Covent Garden.

The King and Queen obviously enjoyed every moment of the opera, but the greatest moment of the whole evening came during the second act with the famous dance in the restaurant scene. For the first time the dance was performed by an English girl, and as Miss Mimi Crawford danced to the tune of the "Blue Danube" the King leaned forward in the royal box beating time gently with his programme, while the Queen gazed through her lorgnette at the only British performer in the opera. At the end of the dance Miss Crawford was called back four times, and then at the end of the act there were five curtains.

"No one will believe how nervous I was," Miss Crawford afterwards told a reporter. "It was something of an ordeal, for I felt that not only I personally was on trial, but that I was representing all English dancers. I had to be told when to go on, for I could not recognise my cues in German. All I could see was a vast black mass and I could not pick out the royal box or anything else. I had not had a single chance of rehearsing the dance on the stage. It was rather confusing as I did not know how much stage space I would have or exactly how things would go, and I think the conductor was marvelous. I have never danced such a long solo before and when it came to an end, I did not really know if I had done well or not, until I got off the stage, and everybody came round to congratulate me."

INTERNATIONAL SUGAR COUNCIL.

CHADBOURNE SCHEME DISCUSSED

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

LONDON, June 23.

The International Sugar Council held its first meeting in London to-day, Senator Beauduin, a Belgian, presiding. The Council confirmed the permanent organisation of its headquarters at The Hague.

There was a considerable discussion regarding the methods to be adopted in the further extension of the development of the Chadbourne Plan. It was the unanimous opinion that what had already been done was along sound lines and to the lasting benefit of the sugar industry.

The next meeting of the Council will be held in Paris on September 14.

BRITISH ENGINEERING INDUSTRY.

NEW PROPOSALS ACCEPTED BY CONFERENCE.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Rugby, June 23.

The Conference of Executives of Engineering Unions in London to-day by an overwhelming majority accepted the employers' modified proposals for changes in the working conditions and overtime rates. The new terms come into operation from July 6 and peace is thus preserved in the industry.

CAMBRIDGE DEGREE FOR MR. MELLON.

SON RECEIVES B.A.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Rugby, June 23.

Mr. Andrew Mellon, who visited Cambridge to see his son to-day receive his degree of Bachelor of Arts, was himself the recipient of a distinction. The intention of the University to confer upon him an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Law was not generally known and he received loud applause when, wearing the scarlet robe, he was presented to the Vice-Chancellor by the Public Orator, who, in the course of a laudatory speech in Latin, coupled Mr. Mellon's visit to Britain with President Hoover's recent pronouncement.

When questioned in the House of Commons to-day regarding the recent talks with Mr. Mellon the Premier stated that the conversations were in no sense official, and therefore, he had nothing to report.

BRITISH TREASURY CHANGES.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Rugby, June 23.

The King has approved of the appointment of Mr. Gilbert Upcott, Deputy Controller of the Treasury, to be Controller and Auditor-General in succession to Sir Malcolm Ramsay, who is retiring next September.

HEARN MURDER TRIAL.

ACCUSED FOUND NOT GUILTY.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

LONDON, June 23.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Hearn, tried at Bodmin Assizes (Cornwall) for the murder, by arsenical poisoning, of her sister, Lydia Everard, and Mrs. Alice Maud Thomas, last year, has been found "not guilty."

MAN'S EXPERIENCE ON LINE.

ARM SEVERED BUT WALKS FOR ASSISTANCE.

While crossing the railway track in the vicinity of Dornbach, near Wuppertal, late at night, a man was knocked down by a passing train. He picked himself up and found that one of his arms was severed from his body. Despite his terrible condition, he walked a long distance to a farmhouse and awakened the farmer. The latter bandaged the stump of the arm and took the man to a hospital. During the whole time the man did not even faint. Except for the loss of his arm, he is now none the worse for his experience.

SCHIRRU EXECUTED.

PLOTTER AGAINST MUSSOLINI.

At dawn in the inner courtyard of the Bressi Fortress, the young Sardinian anarchist, Michele Schirru, was shot in the back by a firing squad in accordance with the sentence of death passed on him eleven hours earlier by the special tribunal for the defence of the State in Rome. He was alleged to have plotted to murder Signor Mussolini. Schirru maintained a perfect composure as the end drew near. There was a slightly ironical smile on his lips as he waved away the priests who came to offer him the last consolations of religion.

He had appealed for clemency, says Reuters, and after it had been refused he was visited by the prison chaplain, but he refused religious assistance. He wrote to his mother and his wife, and at 3.40 a.m., escorted by police and carabinieri, he was taken in a motorcar to the Bressi Fortress, where he arrived at 4.30. Here was drawn up a battalion of militiamen with a firing squad of 24 men, nearly all of them his countrymen, natives of Sardinia, who had volunteered to perform the execution. The commander of the firing party gave the order to present arms, and the sentence of death was read. A moment after he had taken his place Schirru fell to the ground with 24 bullets in his body.

THE NAVY LEAGUE POSEIDON FUND.

BIG DONATIONS FROM THE A.P.C.

Any suspicion that interest in the Navy League Poseidon Fund was flagging is dispelled by the list published below. Another \$3,000 has been collected and the total now stands at \$38,140.89. Messrs. the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd., have donated \$2,000, the local staff of the Company has sent \$400 and the Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell and Mrs. Bell have given \$100. Personal gifts of \$100 also came from Lady Chater and Mr. Ho Kom Tong, O.B.E., while the Royal Naval Yard Police have sent \$250, and \$139 was raised at a Cathedral Hall Whist Drive. The full list is as follows:—

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V.R.C. VICTORIES.

CHINESE A.A. BEATEN IN
WATER POLO.

KOWLOON LOSE BY 11-0.

A very exciting match was played in the V.R.C. bath last night when two undefeated teams met in the senior division, viz. V.R.C. and Chinese Athletic Association. The latter had previously drawn with the Kowloon Swimming Club but had never suffered defeat this season.

The game was an exceedingly fast one and the home team won by two clear goals both of which were shot in the first half. The V.R.C. team were by no means comfortable with their opponents and although they had most of the game in the opening stages, it was not until Luing scored with a fast backhand shot, followed quickly by a goal from C. Rosa Pereira, that they began to play with confidence.

The Chinese had several opportunities of scoring in the first half, but the splendid work of Soares at back and of Knight in the V.R.C. goal resulted in these opportunities coming to nil. No account of yesterday's game would be complete without a tribute to the Chinese goalkeeper who gave one of the finest exhibitions of goal-keeping seen in the Colony for many a day and but for whom, the V.R.C. would have won by a very big margin.

The Second Half.

Undaunted by the two goals scored against them, the second half found the Chinese team playing pluckily to reduce the lead. They had but few opportunities as the V.R.C. forward line, consisting of the Pereira brothers and Luing, kept their defence busy most of the time, while Remedios and Soares at back looked after the Chinese forwards on the few occasions on which they managed to break through. The Chinese goalie played a wonderful game and was alone responsible for the fact that no goals were scored in the second half. Zimmerman was the only weak link in the V.R.C. team.

For the losers, it must be conceded that they were very good swimmers, but one or two of them gave the impression that they had not played very much polo before. They certainly lacked experience but they made up for that by their speed.

Kowloon "A" Well Beaten.

In the second game, the V.R.C. "A" team playing in the junior division, trounced the Kowloon "A" to the tune of eleven goals to nil, six of which were scored in the first half. The V.R.C. players were head and shoulders above their opponents and certainly made full use of their superior talent.

Soldiers Go Under.

In the third game of the evening, the V.R.C. "B" met and defeated the 12th Heavy Battery R.A. by a single goal scored in the first half of the match. The contest was very even throughout and the V.R.C. defence was particularly conspicuous.

ON THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

ALLEGED THEFT OF MOTOR TOOLS.

A Chinese with the name of William John Simpson appeared yesterday before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Police Court charged with the theft of motor-cycle accessories from a garage on the Castle Peak Road and with riding a motor-cycle without permission of the owner, Pto. Angus, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Defendant denied both charges and stated that the tools were given to him by a Portuguese motor-cyclist to repair a picture in the tyre of a motor-cycle he was riding. He had promised to return the tools the next day.

Defendant denied having ridden on Pto. Angus' motor-cycle. The case was adjourned.

KENT GARDEN TRAGEDY.

CORONER ON "CASE OF
POISONING."

LETTER FROM MR. LEWIS
TO A RELATIVE.

The inquest was opened and adjourned on June 2 St. John's Hall, Erith, on Mrs. Maud Lewis, aged 58, and Miss Freda Lewis, aged 19, the adopted daughter of Mrs. Lewis, who were found buried under an ornamental pond in the garden of their home in Erith-road, Belvedere.

They had apparently not been seen since the previous Sunday, and inquiries came to be made owing to letters received by a relative and different people in the district.

Mr. Charles Frederick Lewis, the husband of Mrs. Lewis, is an assistant education officer. He has not been seen since before the tragedy, and the authorities are anxious to discover his whereabouts.

Mr. H. B. Sewell, coroner for West Kent, in opening the inquiry, said: "Apparently from information given to the police, the house was found to be deserted. Last Friday the police, searching the back garden, found some newly-laid cement over a lily pond. They took away the cement and found the bodies of the two women underneath, cemented over. There was also a dog, which had apparently belonged to the elder woman, dead beside them."

"The bodies were removed to the mortuary and a post-mortem examination has been made by Sir Bernard Spilsbury, but, apparently, no disease has been found at the moment sufficient to have caused death, and that rather points to a case of poisoning. It will require an analysis of the contents of the stomach and organs to discover what that is. That, apparently, will take several weeks, and, therefore, to-day, we can only take evidence of identification and of the finding of the bodies, and adjourn for the medical reports."

Disturbing News.

Mr. Frank Brown, schoolmaster, Uxbridge, step-brother of Mrs. Lewis, gave evidence as to receiving letters from her and the adopted daughter; one from the latter on April 22 stating that "father was making a fish pond in the garden."

The Coroner: When did you first hear of this?

Mr. Brown: The first intimation I had was a telegram from a relative in Wales—a brother-in-law of Mr. Lewis—stating that he had had disturbing news, and asking me to meet him at Paddington on the following day. I received that wire on May 28 and met him next day. He told me that he had a letter from Mr. Lewis, which was very wild and apparently inconsistent, but contained very disturbing news. He told me he thought that Mrs. Lewis and Freda were dead, and asked me to go with him to Belvedere, which we did.

The Coroner: Did you see that letter? Yes, the police have it now.

How did he get the information?—The information was sent to him in the letter from Mr. Lewis, with an intimation that a similar letter was being sent to me, but I had received nothing.

What happened next?—We came immediately to Belvedere and called at the house first because we thought Mr. Lewis might have been suffering from delusions, but, as there was no reply we made no attempt to get in, but immediately went to a police station and gave information.

When would that be?—Friday, the 26th.

And the police entered the premises?—Yes. The police went with us and the matter was then in their hands.

You identified the bodies?—I knew from what I could see of them that they were the bodies of my sister and of Freda Lewis.

Replying to the Coroner, Mr. (Continued on next column.)

GUIDES OFFICER CHEERED ON ACQUITTAL.

"AGITATION MIGHT HAVE
SEELED ADMISSION OF
THEFT."

A smartly-dressed, good-looking young woman, stated to be a lieutenant in the Girl Guides, was acquitted amid applause at Bournemouth Police Court on a charge of stealing a periodical, "The Scout," valued 3d., from a bookstall.

She was Kathleen Annie Dole, aged 21, of Southern-road, Bournemouth, and she pleaded not guilty.

A constable said he watched Dole conceal a periodical behind her arm while speaking to the bookstall attendant, and then walk away without paying.

When she was arrested and charged, she offered to pay for the book, adding: "I do not know what made me do it. It came over me all of a sudden."

Dole, in evidence, said she carried the periodical under her arm when she ordered another book, and had 3d. in her hand to pay for it, but forgot.

She might have been so agitated at the time that she gave the impression of admitting the theft, but she denied doing so. She was a solicitor's clerk, and handled cash daily, and her honesty had never before been questioned.

Brown said that he had not heard from the husband since. Mr. Lewis was of a normal disposition. "I never saw him angry or in a temper," he added. Mr. Brown remarked that he knew of no bad feeling between any of the parties.

Discovery of the Bodies.

Divisional Detective Inspector Cory gave evidence as to the finding of the bodies.

"They were under a concrete covering about five or six inches in depth," he stated. "They were in a hole which had apparently been made, or intended, for a small ornamental pond. It was kidney-shaped, seven feet long by four feet three inches in width. The concrete covering had been commenced two feet below the surface level, and the bodies, which had been covered under the concrete with three small sheets of corrugated iron, each about two feet by two feet six inches, were in a space about seventeen inches deep, with a concrete floor. The concrete had set hard on the surface but was softer underneath. The whole had been covered over with a new tarpaulin sheet."

The Coroner: Were they entirely covered?—Yes, completely covered over, apparently to keep out the rain. The sheet was green in colour.

Inspector Cory said that Mrs. Lewis's body was taken out first. She was lying with her head towards the footpath, with the body of a dark grey-coloured dog at her feet. Miss Lewis was lying the opposite way, her head towards the dividing fence of next door garden.

"Both were in night attire," added Inspector Cory, "and each was wearing a woollen coat. Mrs. Lewis had bled from the right nostril and had a contused right eye. She had a bath towel tucked tightly under her chin, and it was bloodstained. Miss Lewis had no external signs of injury. Each body was wrapped in a bed-sheet, completely covering the whole body, and wrapped again in a piece of carpet. Miss Lewis had a second towel over her face, and the dog was also wrapped in a second sheet."

Inspector Cory added that Sir Bernard Spilsbury had made a post-mortem examination.

The Coroner:—And the organs have also been referred to the Home Office analyst for analysis? Yes, to Dr. Roche Lynch.

That will probably take several weeks? Yes.

On searching the house did you find anything in disorder there?—The three beds had been slept in and they were unmade.

Any signs of breakfast or a meal at all?—No! Everything had been washed up and was clean.

There was nothing at all in the house to help you in your investigations?—Nothing at all. The inquest was adjourned until June 30.

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SIX-FIGURE DEAL BY
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A Month of almost nightly Transatlantic telephone calls has resulted in one of the biggest theatrical deals of recent years, by which Sir Harold Wernher, whose name has hitherto been unassociated with the stage by the general playgoer, will become the foremost London West End theatre owner.

That is the romance behind the announcement, made last month that five West End playhouses have changed hands. These theatres are—

His Majesty's.
Gaiety.
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Adelphi.

The controlling shares in the company which owns them (Associated Theatre Properties, London, Ltd.) have been sold by the Shubert Brothers, the American theatrical magnates, to Sir Harold Wernher.

Sir Harold owns the recently built Cambridge Theatre, which is to be merged in the Associated Theatre Properties group.

The purchase price, it is understood, runs into six figures, but £400,000, mentioned in cablegrams from New York, is described by Sir Harold Wernher as an exaggeration.

Mr. Lee Shubert and Mr. "Jake" Shubert acquired control of West End playhouses (including the Winter Garden, which was resold to a British company in March 1929) six years ago, being associated with Mr. William Clifford Gault, the Yorkshire wool magnate.

Almost every night, I have been speaking by Atlantic telephone to Mr. Lee Shubert," Mr. McLellan, the Shuberts' managing director, said. "He and his brother are not interested in sport, particularly racing."

(Continued at foot of next column.)

NEW BRITISH LEGATIONS.

BRITISH MATERIALS FOR
CONSTRUCTION.

London, June 17.—The suggestion that only British materials should be used in the construction of British Legation buildings in South America was made in the House of Commons to-day.

In reply, Mr. George Lansbury, the First Commissioner of Works, stated that the only British Legation building at present under construction in South America was in Lima, Peru, where British material was being supplied to a substantial extent.

Circumstances varied so much, he said, that each scheme had to be treated according to its needs. For reasons of urgency and cost, it would not, in his opinion, be desirable to adopt the suggestion made.

selling these theatres because of any dissatisfaction with their money-making capacity. But things have not been too easy for them lately in the United States and I believe that Mr. Lee Shubert, who is a wealthy man, wants to take things more easily in the future.

"Sir Harold Wernher, I understand, is acquiring control of these West End theatres purely as a real estate speculation, and not with any idea of becoming a dominant theatrical magnate."

Mr. McLellan is remaining on the board of Associated Theatre Properties as managing director.

Sir Harold Wernher is 38 years of age. He is the second son of the late Sir Julius Wernher, the South African millionaire, from whom he inherited a large fortune. He married in 1910 Lady Zia Torby, daughter of the Grand Duke Michael of Russia. He has numerous City interests, and both he and Lady Zia Wernher are interested in sport, particularly racing.

YESTERDAY'S FLAG DAY.

EXCELLENT RESULTS.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE'S APPEAL.

The Assistant Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade begs to announce the results of yesterday's Flag Day sales as follows, and at the same time thanks the public for the generous response to the St. John Day appeal:

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| Gross amount realised..... | \$2,755.00 |
| Sum realised on foreign coins..... | 8.00 |
| Special donation..... | 50.00 |
| | \$2,813.00 |
| Bad coins..... | 2.20 |
| Loss on chopped dollars..... | .02 |
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The sincere thanks of the Brigade are offered to the following lady sellers:

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To Mrs. Black who arranged for stations on the Peak and Central District; Mrs. Cock who saw to sales at Kowloon Dock; Mr. F. H. Crapnell who arranged for stations in Kowloon; Rev. E. G. Powell who was mainly responsible for enlisting the interest of Rotary Club members; the Nursing Sisters of the Young Wo Nursing Home, as well as the nursing sisters and other Brigade members who took part in the day's activities.

To the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton for his address from the Broadcasting Station and the officials at the Broadcasting Station for the privilege of making that address; the Chinese announcer who broadcast a translation of Mr. Shenton's remarks.

To the British Legion (through Mr. A. Pierce) and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the loan of collecting boxes with baskets.

To the Hon. Inspector-General of Police who very kindly afforded police protection at all selling stations and at the Central depot; the Hon. Director of Medical and Sanitary Services who arranged for the loan of the office of the superintendent of the Chinese hospitals and dispensaries as a receiving station.

To the newspapers for the publicity given to the St. John Day appeal and to all who in any way contributed to the success of the undertaking.

The highest individual amounts realised were from: Box 47, \$125; box 15, \$121.50; box 40, \$119.15. Other individual amounts will be notified to collectors on application. The nursing sisters of the Young Wo Nursing Home raised \$337.63. The ladies of the Peak and Central districts raised the sum of \$1,311.34.

ASSAULT IN ICE HOUSE STREET.

EUROPEAN STRUCK WITH A BAMBOO POLE.

Interesting developments are expected in a case of assault which took place in Ice House Street, in connection with which a charge has been framed against a Chinese.

It appears that at about 12.30 a.m., Mr. Fred Kew was engaged in conversation with a friend near the Netherlands India Commercial Bank premises when he was suddenly struck on the head with a bamboo pole. His companion on turning to see who the assailant was also received a blow. Mr. Kew received a nasty blow which necessitated the putting in of a stitch.

A hue and cry was raised and a Chinese, alleged to be the assailant, attempted to escape in the direction of Chater Road, but he was caught by a European. All the parties then went to the Central Police Station in a motor car. The case will be heard at Central Magistracy this morning.

YAUMATI MURDER TRIAL.

ADMISSIONS BY MEDICAL WITNESS.

SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS BY A WOMAN.

When the murder trial was resumed at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, Dr. Kenneth Uttley, who faced further cross-examination, was questioned on the effect of a ligature, applied to the neck before and after death, on the muscles and tissues. Witness agreed that the reasons he had given before in support of his opinion that the ligature was applied before death meant nothing at all, but in re-examination he still held to his former opinion that the cause of death was strangulation.

Evidence was given by a woman to the effect that she looked over the partition of her cubicle and saw the accused throw a rope round the deceased's neck. Later she saw a sack containing something heavy being taken out of the house by the accused and his father.

The accused in the case is Wong Cheung, alias Wong Sik Cheung, who is charged with the murder of Kau Suk at Yaumati on April 1. Mr. Somerset Fitzroy is for the Crown, and accused is defended by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, of Messrs. Deacons.

Number of Assaults.

Dr. Uttley was reminded that, in giving his examination-in-chief, he had given it as his opinion that there was more than one assailant.

Mr. Jenkin: What is your reason for making that statement?—It would be easier to strangle a person if one man was holding him down and if there had been only one assailant I should have expected to find more evidences of a fight on the body.

Cannot you catch a man unaware?—Yes.

Cannot you give me a better reason?—No answer.

In fact you know nothing about it?—No.

You will withdraw that opinion because you have no experience on which to base such an assertion?—Yes.

You agreed with me yesterday that we are entitled to have if we can, any other available medical opinion upon this question as to the cause of death?—Yes.

You are the only medical man who actually examined this body?—Yes.

Therefore, before I could avail myself of the opinion of any other medical man, I must be able to put him, as far as I can, exactly in the position he would have been had he seen the body?—Yes.

Medical Notes.

If I were to give another medical man your written notes, I put it to you that he could not possibly express any opinion as to the cause of death?—I agree.

I put it to you that there is no written material which could be put before any medical man in this Colony which would enable him to give any opinion at all?—I agree.

So that for him to be able to express any opinion, he would have to get his facts from your evidence?—Yes.

I shall put it to the jury, doctor, and I wish to say it now you are in the witness box, that in the case of a doctor who, in examination-in-chief will say that nine out of twelve of the organs of the body were normal, and then, in cross-examination under circumstances which I need not recapitulate, will say that all twelve organs were congested with blood, I would suggest that either his powers of observation or recollection are, in the highest degree, at fault. I wish to add I do not say that with a wish to offend you.

In re-examination, Dr. Uttley said that at the time he examined the body he was satisfied that death was due to strangulation and he was still of the same opinion.

Woman's Allegations.

Li Chuk Hing, a married woman living in an adjoining cubicle of the flat where the alleged murder took place, stated that she heard cries from the sitting room. On looking over the partition she saw the accused's father hold the deceased while the accused himself was seen to throw a rope over the deceased's head. She shouted out to the accused's wife to stop it, but the father asked her to keep quiet as it was his own business.

(Continued on next column.)

DUTCHMAN'S CHOPPER ATTACK.

MAGISTRATE DEFERS SENTENCE.

Jan Wagtor, a Dutch subject, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday with having assaulted Mr. H. Watt, the manager of the Seamen's Institute, on June 13.

It was stated against Wagtor, that on that date at about 3 p.m. he obtained a chopper from a stall selling cooked food at Cross Street and that he attempted to assault the stallholder with the chopper. He did not succeed, however, and was chased into the Seamen's Institute. He was seen to run into the first floor and shortly afterwards attempted to use the chopper on Mr. Watt, who, however, managed to defend himself with a chair until help came and the defendant was disarmed and overpowered.

Defendant was then taken to the police station and next morning was sent to the Government Civil Hospital where it was found that he was suffering from the effects of alcoholism and want of sleep.

After evidence against him had been given, his Worship said: "I think the evidence shows undoubtedly that he was very much under the influence of drink at the time. At the same time his condition does not excuse the offence although it might be a mitigating circumstance. I understand his health has not been good and that he has had an operation."

Sergeant Rowsky (prosecuting): He has been in hospital for six months.

Defendant: I have had two operations.

His Worship deferred sentence until the man's medical record could be produced.

Witness continued that after the light was put out by the accused's father, she remained in the passage with other occupants of the floor and from there she saw the two men press the deceased down. Later they carried a sack out of the house containing something which was obviously heavy. About a quarter of an hour later they returned with an empty sack. Accused then removed all his upper clothing and his wife fetched a basin of water from the kitchen and mopped up the blood from the floor of the room.

Witness said that she was so frightened at what she saw that in the morning she left the premises with her belongings.

A Rope Puzzle.

Before commencing the cross-examination of the woman, Mr. Jenkin handed her six pieces of rope of different thickness and colours, requesting her to pick out one of the same thickness which she saw as stated in her evidence. Witness picked out one to indicate the thickness, but she said that she was unable to indicate the colour as the incident occurred in the night and she had just been roused from her sleep.

Answering Mr. Jenkin's opening questions, witness said that she shouted out to Yee Koo, prisoner's wife, to stop the men in their act, but she could not see the woman on the floor. Witness knew that Yee Koo was on the bed as the mosquito curtain was shaking. Counsel reminded witness that in the Police Court she had stated that she saw Yee Koo standing by the bed. Witness denied that she had made such a statement, and again in answer to further questions, agreed that accused's wife was standing by the bed while she looked over the partition.

Police Court Blamed.

Mr. Jenkin pointed out other discrepancies between her evidence at the Sessions and that given in the Police Court. Witness denied that she made certain statements appearing in the Police Court depositions and suggested that her evidence was taken down incorrectly. Witness also asserted that she made certain statements in the Lower Court, but Counsel pointed out that they were not recorded in the depositions.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that you are wrong in saying that you saw the prisoner throw a rope round the deceased's neck?—It is correct.

I put it to you that the prisoner had nothing to do with the deceased while you were looking over the partition?—He did; he used a piece of rope to put round the deceased's neck.

In re-examination, witness said that she did not see a knife at any time while she was looking over the partition.

The Court adjourned until this morning.

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

CROUCHER & CO'S DAILY REPORT.

The June settlement was negotiated satisfactorily and the "all clear" came through at about 8 p.m., much to the general relief. The market opened quietly this morning, brokers and clients feeling indisposed to trade after a rather hectic yesterday.

The London market is better all round, Banks improving to 2103. Local sales took place at \$2,000 and Valenz at \$500. Hotels were done at \$17.50 and Trams at \$32.30. Star Forties at 100 were easier, likewise China Lights at \$22. Dairy Farms continue in demand at \$31.25 and a small lot of Watsons changed hands at \$16. Eggs were negotiated at 1s. 14. June 14; 5 p.m.

CHARITY CONCERT.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME FOR TO-MORROW.

The charity concert in aid of the Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood arranged for to-morrow night (Friday) at the Theatre Royal promises to be a very successful affair. H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel have given their patronage to the concert and figuring in the programme are such well-known local artists as Mr. F. C. E. Rendall, Mr. H. G. Annis, the Misses Neelie and Billie Field, the Male Voice Choir (South Wales Borderers), Mr. John Braga and "Micky's Melody Makers."

The concert starts at 8.15 p.m. sharp and as it has been arranged in aid of such a deserving cause, it is to be hoped that the public

JAPANESE CONSUL GENERAL BEREAVED.

LITTLE SON PASSES AWAY.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Master Keichi Yoshida, the little son of the Japanese Consul-General at Hong Kong, Mr. T. Yoshida, and Mrs. Yoshida, which occurred at 7a, Conduit Road, at 4.15 a.m. on Monday. Master Yoshida had been ill for almost a month, and although the news of his death did not come as a surprise, much sympathy will be felt for the bereaved parents.

The funeral service was held at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday at the Japanese Crematorium, Sokunpo, and was attended by a large number of friends and members of the Japanese community.

STORING CINEMA FILMS.

LOCAL THEATRES INVOLVED IN SUMMONS.

On the ground that they had stored films in unauthorised places, the management of the Queen's Theatre, Central Theatre and Paramount Film Company were summoned before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared on behalf of the Queen's Theatre who are alleged to have stored in the basement of the theatre on June 17, 300 spools of cinematograph film.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse appeared for the police and asked for a week's remand. He said that there were one or two points which had cropped up and he was doubtful whether the offence came under the Ordinances under which the summonses were issued. He wanted an opportunity to consult Mr. Fitzroy on the question.

The management of the Central Theatre and the Paramount Film Company were both summoned for keeping 300 spools of films, not actually in use, in a place other than an approved fire-resisting store room.

All summonses were adjourned for a week.

CANTON POSTAL RATES.

AN INCREASE OF 25 PER CENT.

We are advised by Mr. V. W. Stapleton-Cotton, Postal Commissioner for Kwangtung, that owing to the continued fall in silver, there will be an increase of 25 per cent in postage rates for all international mail matter and parcels as from July 1.

This means that the postage on Union letters, which is at present 25 cents, will be increased to 31 cents; registration, single, now 50 cents, will be 62 cents; and return receipt 60 cents.

Full details as to other postage rates can be obtained at the nearest Post Office.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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BATHING IN THE NUDE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS"]

SIR,—May I for several and probably a great many give my voice in support of bathing in the nude, as fully up to date and perfectly healthy. Why should bathing in the nude be an outrage for the clean in mind and body? Those who protest against it are certainly coming under the suspicion of not having a reasonable control of themselves. Such persons are by far in the minority, and why should the healthy, self-possessed majority (according to my reckoning 90 per cent. of persons of both sexes) be compelled to submit to the idiosyncrasies of a few backward minded weaklings and lifehackers and conform to their ridiculous and overanxious self-limitation?

I would to the contrary much welcome the establishment of a Nude Culture Open Air Association in Hong Kong where all strong-minded and reasonably self-possessed men and women could enjoy to the full the advantages of the open air, the sun, and each others company, as pioneers of a new, more enlightened age, free of savage fears of self and the other sex.

Such association would have my personal active support, and I am perfectly prepared to go about the organisation of same in Hong Kong, either independently or under the auspices of the London Society for Sexual Reform, as a local Branch of this Society, under such restrictions and safeguards against misuse of the good intention, as reasonable and demanded by the local Authorities. In Europe the Naked Culture Associations are established in several advanced countries, and its total membership amounts to several hundreds of thousands members of both sexes, especially in Germany, France, and Switzerland, and nakedness in the open air is enjoyed in widely in other countries being accepted as something healthy, natural, sporty and good, especially amongst the clean-minded and progressive young and old. It increases self-respect, self-reliance, and goes a long way towards counter-acting unhealthy imagination, morbidity, ignorance and fear.

I would be glad to receive communications from all persons interested in a more natural way of living, with interest in the establishment of a Naked Culture Open Air Association in Hong Kong, and to enter into discussion on the subject, either privately or in the columns of your valued paper.—Enclosing my Card, I am, sir, Yours, etc.

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BACHELOR GIRLS OF TURKEY.

TAKE TO HATS AND WORK IN OFFICES.

Constantinople.—Five years after Mustapha Kemal urged, but did not command, the women of Turkey to discard their veils, the women of the Anatolian town that is named after him, Ghazi-anitab, have decided to heed the Westernisation call.

They have held a mass meeting, and by popular vote have decreed that the day of the hat has come for them. The majority of Anatolian women still wear the traditional chachaf, the loose hood covering head and shoulders.

One thing that worries Turkey's leaders is that these emancipated young women refuse to get married; marriage still savours too much of the harem, and the novel rôle of bachelor girl amuses them vastly.

While the new freedom means chiefly poker, contract bridge, and fox hunting to the wealthy city matrons, their daughters and girls of the middle class are going in seriously for professions and jobs.

Turkish medical and law schools number many girl students. Business offices and banks are full of bold-haired typists whose eyes, still shadowed with kohl, study figures and keyboards instead of the patterns of harem lattices.

In the most powerful of Turkish banks, the Banque d'Affaires, a young woman, Hat Che Hanum, has just been promoted to an important administrative post.

Women in the near future will be in Parliament. The Stamboul women's union will send out groups of city women this summer to lecture to women of the provinces on feminine subjects, in the hope of whetting their appetite for hats, votes, and other gifts of the Kemalist régime.

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Pressure is highest to the east of Japan. A shallow depression is central in the vicinity of Chefoo. A depression appears to be forming to the N.W. of Hanoi.

Local Forecast:—S.W. winds, moderate; cloudy; showery.

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PROJECTED FLIGHTS TO
THE FAR EAST.

ACCORDING to recent announcements China is to have the honour of visits from the two most widely known aviators in the world—Miss Amy Johnson and Colonel CHARLES A. LINDBERGH. If the projected flights materialise we may be sure that all the peoples of the Far East, including the small European communities domiciled there, will receive these romantic young personages with traditional cordiality. No doubt if they happen to be out here at the same time the possibility of arranging a meeting on Asiatic soil will not be overlooked by those responsible for the publicity departments of these affairs.

Miss AMY JOHNSON has notified the Moscow authorities that she intends to attempt a London-Peking flight early in July. We all remember that Miss JOHNSON, after preliminary difficulties, was persuaded to abandon her attempt on this route while Siberia was still in the grip of winter. What was an impossible adventure amid snows and blizzards should be quite practicable while Siberia is a land of corn and sunshine. The flight will be an adventurous affair, of no commercial or scientific significance, for the Soviet, naturally enough, is not likely to tolerate any aviators but its own operating a trans-Siberian route to the East.

Colonel LINDBERGH, who is probably to be accompanied by Mrs. LINDBERGH, is studying four possible approaches to the East. The trans-Pacific route via the Aleutian and Kurile Islands involves no more than a flight of one-hundred-and-eighty miles across open sea. These two groups of islands form stepping stones for thousands of miles, between Alaska and Kamchatka, and again from the southernmost point of Kamchatka to Japan. Weather and climatic conditions probably allow of this route being used only during a few summer months, but at least there is land in sight for practically all the way. Colonel LINDBERGH also has in mind a route by Behring Straits, another by Greenland, Spitzbergen and Siberia, and, finally, a straight flight across the Atlantic and then on via Europe and Siberia.

It would be a great blow to aviation if mishap were to overtake Colonel LINDBERGH. One of the most picturesque figures of the time, publicity has made him known to us all. Many would not doubt say if such misfortune were to occur, "It is the inevitable and for them all." This is quite untrue, and for such an idea to gather force would do aviation infinite harm. Aviation has outgrown its martyrdom stage, and it is doubtful whether these perilous flights are in the best interests of the development of commercial routes.

Squadron Leader P. C. WOOD, in his address to the local Rotary Club a month ago, emphasised this need for securing safety in flying. In the course of his speech he said:

What we want to avoid is stunt flying of any sort. This should be discouraged in order to encourage air-mindedness. I say this because I think that aviation as a form of transport must not be a stunt. It must be normal.

Squadron Leader WOOD also said earlier in his address:

I have referred to the flight to the Far East by the R.A.F. Squadron and I said then that it was an ordinary flight and not a stunt. By that remark I do not want to belittle the wonderful efforts of Sir John Alcock and Sir Witten Brown in flying the Atlantic so many years ago that we have now forgotten all about it; Colonel Lindbergh, Miss Amy Johnson and the Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce and many others. In spite of their valour, it must be acknowledged that the feats performed by them were undertaken at great hazards and they would not be undertaken as an everyday affair.

Another R.A.F. Officer, Wing-Commander GLENNE, also spoke in the same vein to the Rotary Club:

The majority of accidents occur in stunt or experimental flying, or in connection with R.A.F. service flying. Quite ninety per cent. are due to personal and very human errors, and not to structural or mechanical failure in machines or engines. This is particularly true of British flying. In ordinary straight-forward, civilian, and commercial aviation there have been very few serious crashes. Even in a flight which is in the nature of an experiment, there is no justification for inadequate preparations or unnecessary disregard for safety. But, if you embark on something new, whether it be a pioneer adventure or an attempt at record breaking, a great deal more must be risked than would normally be the case. Scientists and technicians are increasingly guiding and directing aviation, but we have now reached a stage when we need men of business acumen and courage to help us make use of the flying machine in the service of commerce, international goodwill and human progress generally.

These are the sound opinions of men of proved skill and valour, thoroughly appreciative of what the pioneers have done. Aviation is more than a "stunt," and aviators have better work to do than risking their lives in the gladiatorial manner. It is time that those who finance these spectacular flights realised that the money would be better spent on careful experiment and sound organisation of aerial routes.

CRIME AND CULTURE IN MICHIGAN.

THAT knowledge and virtue are closely allied is an idea current since the days of Socrates. But it has been left to the State of Michigan, U.S.A., to forge the link between knowledge and vice. The laws of that State have this peculiar feature—all moneys taken in fines for breaches of the penal code are allocated to the support of the public libraries. The sum is not paid into a pool. Each library gets the fines imposed in its own area. Perhaps the idea is that the community in which most misdeeds are done is the one most in need of edifying literature. But the system is a very comfortable one to the conscience of the offender. He is made to feel that in breaking the by-laws he is enlarging the mental horizon of his fellow-citizens—at least he runs the risk of doing so if he is caught. To present the local reading-room with a new set of Dickens, even upon compulsion, gives a man a much higher sense of citizenship than the payment of a curt "twenty shillings and costs," and one of the great objects of modern penal practice is to make the prisoner feel that he is really an honest citizen who has got a bit off the normal track. Perhaps this sentiment might be encouraged still further by allowing the prisoner to name his own books and to inscribe them with some such legend as "Presented to the Public Library at Kalamazoo in memory of a well-cracked crib, June, 1931." It would be interesting to know whether the inhabitants of Michigan consider a well-stocked library as a matter for pride or for shame.

★ News and Views ★

An Old Story.

Wife (complaining at Highgate about her husband and another woman). "I told her he was married. She said, 'I know what I am doing. I love him, and nothing else matters.'"

Fighting Leprosy.

A total of £400,000 has been raised in New York for the treatment of leprosy by the Leonard Wood Fund campaign, the directors announce. Fifty thousand persons subscribed. The directors' statement is optimistic about the progress of the treatment of leprosy.

Choose Your Own Fish.

When the new "Monseigneur" restaurant in Piccadilly opens towards the end of next week visitors will find for the first time in London a glass tank, capable of holding several hundred live fish, included in the structural arrangements. In it they may indicate the fish which they would most like to see, cooked and prepared, upon their table. Here, too, an endeavour is being made to cater for the growing demand for some place where it is possible to get a snack meal and a single glass of good wine before going on to a theatre. This part of the business will be conducted in a separate room on the Jermyn-street side of the building.

France's Tribute to Lord Haig.

The statue of the late Lord Haig, which is to be unveiled at Montreuil-sur-Mer on June 28, possibly by the French Prime Minister, is modelled partly from photographs of the late Field-Marshal. The horse, however, is modelled from a French and not an English charger. Possibly the sculptor, M. Landowski, had heard something of the violent criticism in this country of the horse which is to be erected at the British taxpayers' expense, and which is totally unlike any animal that the late Commander-in-Chief would ever have dreamed of mounting. In order that no such mistake should be made in the French statue, one of the most famous of French cavalrymen, General Briard, who is at present Governor of Strasbourg, left one of his favourite horses as a model. The horse selected is one that the late Lord Haig would have been delighted to ride.

The Best Brand.

"Jones's stories are the best," said the clubman. "Never heard him tell one," replied his friend. "Nor have I."

The Case Against Lord Kylsant.

We publish to-day part of the Counsel's opening statement in the magisterial proceedings against Lord Kylsant, the Chairman of the R.M.S.F., and Mr. H. J. Morland its auditor. Both defendants were recently committed for trial. The case is of the very greatest importance, and all interested in Home commercial and political affairs will be well advised to follow it. A number of the legal giants—Sir John Simon, Sir Patrick Hastings, Mr. Stuart Bovan, K.C., Mr. Singleton, K.C., and Mr. Pritt, K.C. (for the Crown) were engaged, and the Attorney General is to prosecute at the trial.

Tantalising.

The man of modest means may be an epicure this week, says a Home paper. Strawberries, cherries, asparagus, crab and lobster can be included in the household menu, for prices are low. Although most of the English strawberries will not make their appearance until the end of June, hot-house varieties and those grown in Holland are plentiful. Prices have fallen. The Dutch strawberries can be had for 1s. a basket, and those from the hot-house from France, but after June 9 imports will be restricted. Prices range from about 1s. a lb., with cooking varieties from 7d. Gooseberries, home-grown, are 6d. a lb. Among the imported delicacies are Spanish apricots and South African persimmons. Italian plums are making a first appearance. English asparagus is plentiful. Prices range from 1s. 9d. to 5s. a bundle. Hot-house tomatoes are beginning to come in, and this week are being sold at from 1s. to 1s. 9d. a lb. New potatoes are at fairly low prices. Fresh crab, also, is plentiful. The lowest price per lb. is about 10d.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

A billiard match between the members of the Y.M.C.A. and the Royal Corps of Signals has been arranged to take place at the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, this evening at 8 o'clock.

A tea party will be given by the Hong Kong University Amateur Photographic Club in honour of its President, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, at the University Union Assembly Room to-morrow at 5 p.m.

The explosion of a Swedish oil lamp on the oiler Pearl on Tuesday led to two Chinese being sent to hospital with serious burns. The condition of one of these men, an electrician, is regarded as serious.

The Manager of the local branch of the Nederlandsche Indische Handelsbank N.V. informs us that he has received a telegram from the Head Office at Amsterdam that the Bank has declared a dividend of 8 per cent. for the year 1930.

Malicious damage was done to the home of Mr. Basto on Tai Po Road when a thief broke into his garage between 7 a.m. and midnight and took a battery valued \$35 from his car and, after damaging it, throw it behind the garage.

The dollar opened yesterday at 11½ but during the day it rose a farthing making the rate 11½d. at which it remained until closing time. It was reported that business was done earlier in the day at 11½ and 11-7-10d.

Dr. Magnus Hirschfeld, who has already given two lectures on sexual pathology and biology in Hong Kong, will give a public lecture at the Helena May Institute on Monday, June 29, at 5.30 p.m. The subject will be "Sex Education and Science."

For failing to save the necessary precautions while blasting at the cemetery in Aberdeen, Messrs. Lam, Dore, the well-known firm of building contractors, were fined \$50 by Mr. Schofield yesterday. It was stated that some of the fragments were thrown from the hillside into the harbour among the sampans.

Mr. G. Sims, B.A., will give a lecture to-day at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street, on "The Aim of Education." The lecture will begin at 8 p.m. and will be open to the public.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Thomas John Price, residing at 4, Lunn Buildings, Kowloon, to Miss Mary Enid Jones, of Philip House, Mody Road, Kowloon.

A fine of \$15 was imposed on a Chinese who was convicted of a charge of cruelty to pigs which he was carrying to the slaughter house in crates without matting. "They must have been in agony," said Inspector Stimson, who was prosecuting.

Enquiries made at the Kowloon Hospital yesterday afternoon, regarding the condition of Miss Vera Cheeka who sustained a fractured skull as the result of being thrown from a motor-cycle on Tuesday evening in Nathan Road, elicited the news that the lady's condition was unchanged. She had not yet recovered consciousness, and we were informed that her condition was critical.

Accosting a man in Hollywood Road, who was carrying a bundle of what ostensibly appeared to be fire crackers, Revenue Officer Ward found on examination that the crackers were, in fact, so many cases containing small quantities of opium. The man was charged, before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday and on conviction of possession of illicit opium was fined \$750 or in default, five months' hard labour.

The local agents for "Stag" brand soap, Messrs. Jebben & Co., summoned Messrs. Kwong Yat On, of Kwong Yuen Street East, before Mr. Schofield yesterday for infringement of the trade mark. Mr. H. J. Armstrong, who appeared for the plaintiffs, mentioned that the seizure was made on the Kowloon Canton Battery and asked whether the case should be taken at the Kowloon Magistracy. His Worship adjourned the summons sine die and referred the case to the Kowloon Magistracy.

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One case (non-Chinese) of diphtheria was reported during Tuesday.

Looking Back 25 Years.

An outrage unfortunately attended with grave injury to the person was perpetrated at Leighton Hill Road on Saturday evening. Mrs. Aoki, a Japanese lady, wife of Captain Aoki, superintendent for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Hong Kong line of steamers, was attacked in her residence, 4, Leighton Hill Road, by some robbers who had entered the house while she was the only occupant, and stabbed her with knives. Injuries were inflicted which rendered her condition very grave.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, June 24, 1906.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The question of the repression of crime in this Colony has been treated so frequently, has been harped upon with such tiresome iteration both by His Excellency the Governor and the Press, that we should hesitate to inflict upon our readers further comment on the subject were it not that the shadow of an impending goliath on Stonecutters' Island once more looms into view. It appears only too certain that Governor Hennessey, following the policy and severely anxious to restore the work of the much-needed, beleaguered Sir Hercules Robinson, intends if able, before he shakes the dust of this Colony from his restless feet, to saddle it with a second edition of the costly Robinson Folly. There is no doubt that the new policy inaugurated by His Excellency is a very expensive one—he has proved a very costly Governor generally speaking—and will naturally tend to keep the Gaol full, but we believe that, supposing this policy be allowed a fair trial, sufficient room might be gained by taking in the Magistracy compound into the Gaol. The waste piece of ground below the quarters of the Captain-Superintendent might then be utilised for the erection of a new Police Court, with a frontage on Hollywood Road. It would be satisfactory to know why this valuable site has been allowed to lie idle for the past six or seven years, causing a serious loss to the taxpayers of the Colony.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, June 24, 1881.

FLIERS CROSS ATLANTIC.

POST AND GATTY LAND AT SEALAND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, June 24.
Post and Gatty landed at the Air Force aerodrome at Sealand, Cheshire, at 11.45 a.m., and resumed their flight to Berlin at 2.5 p.m.

Pass Over Wales.
The trans-Atlantic fliers, Post and Gatty, are reported to have passed over Garsgor, Wales.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, June 23.
At five o'clock this afternoon, Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off from Harbour Grace, Newfoundland, on a flight across the Atlantic to Berlin, thus commencing a thrilling race to fly round the world in seven days. The plane is carrying 600 gallons of petrol.

Danish Fliers Also Set Out.

Harbour Grace, June 24.
The Danish fliers, Hellig and Holm, started on their trans-Atlantic flight at dawn.

UNDAUNTED AVIATRIX.

TO RESUME FLIGHT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, June 23.
An X-ray examination of Miss Ruth Nicholls showed that her spine is slightly injured and two vertebrae cracked. It is painful but should mend quickly.

The injury was due to the oil tank breaking away in landing and striking the airwoman in the back.

Plane to be repaired.

St. John's, New Brunswick, June 23.

Undaunted by her misfortune Miss Ruth Nicholls declares that as soon as she can get the money to repair her plane and get out of hospital she will be en route on her trans-Atlantic flight.

A message dated June 22 stated:—The airwoman, Miss Ruth Nicholls, who arrived here on the first stage of her trans-Atlantic flight was injured when she made a faulty landing. She was sent to hospital but her injuries are not serious.

VOLCANO ERUPTION IN JAPAN.

NO CASUALTIES: HOUSES AND CROPS DAMAGED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, June 24.
About seventy houses are reported damaged by rain and ashes following three successive eruptions, early on Monday morning, of a volcano on Kuchieiraba Island, south of Kagoshima.

There were no casualties, but it is believed serious damage was done to crops.

Volcanic eruptions have been unusually frequent lately.

HOME BY-ELECTION.

CONSERVATIVES RETAIN SEAT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, June 23.
The by-election in the Waverley Division of Liverpool, due to the retirement of the Conservative, J. A. Tinn, resulted as follows:—

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| Nalcain (Conservative) | 18,687 |
| Trelaven (Labour) | 10,042 |

Majority 8,645

TWO EXPLORERS HONOURED.

MR. BERTRAM THOMAS AND REAR-ADMIRAL BYRD.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, June 23.
It was announced at the annual meeting of the Royal Geographical Society to-day that the King had approved an award of the Founder's Medal to Mr. Bertram Thomas for his geographical work in Arabia and his successful crossing for the first time of the Rubal Khali Desert in North Arabia, and the Patron's Medal to Rear-Admiral Richard Byrd, United States Navy, for his Antarctic Expedition and flight over both the North and South Poles.

FRANCE DELAYS PUBLICATION OF REPLY TO THE HOOVER PLAN.

SEVERE CRITICISM OF FRENCH ATTITUDE BY BRITISH PRESS.

DOUBTS OF SETTLEMENT EFFECT LONDON STOCK MARKET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, June 24.
The Ministerial Council has decided not to publish France's reply to President Hoover's proposal until the Premier, M. Laval, makes a statement in the Chamber on June 25.

French Reply Not Regarded Favourably?

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, June 24.
The United States Government has informed France that her conditions to the acceptance of President Hoover's proposal will not be regarded favourably by Washington, according to the Paris correspondent of the Associated Press.

French Reply.

PARIS, June 23.
Although the French reply to President Hoover's proposal will not be put in final form until today's Cabinet meeting, the Premier, M. Laval, last night indicated to the United States Ambassador the substance of France's answer.

It is believed in diplomatic circles that the reply insists that Germany shall continue to pay unconditional annuities under the Young Plan. France, however, is prepared to hand over these annuities to the Bank of International Settlements, which may make loans therewith to the Central European countries which have been most severely hit by the present crisis, and to make up the deficit in the French Budget caused by handing over the annuities.

The Government will doubtless be obliged to postpone its plan of national reconstruction.

Press Criticism.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, June 24.
The Times, in a leader, setting forth reasons for the French hesitations, says that they desire sympathetic consideration even though on a balance that no other nation has claimed, and adds it is sincerely to be hoped that neither diplomatic nor public discussion may be allowed to imperil what the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Thomas, called yesterday the "first real step towards world recovery."

The Daily Telegraph, which thinks it inconceivable that the opportunity extended by Washington should be allowed to pass, asks: "If Germany be denied the year's relief which President Hoover proposes, she should exercise her right under the Young Plan to declare a moratorium of conditional repatriation and payments, what would be France's position? If France then fulfilled her obligations under the plan and had at the same time to continue those payments to Washington and London, which it is now proposed to postpone, how much would be left of the unconditional annuity from Germany? Very little say experts! Little enough indeed to justify endangering the success of President Hoover's promise of rescue."

The Manchester Guardian expresses the belief that if President Hoover had ignored the information which convinced him that Germany was on the verge of collapse, Germany would have declared a moratorium, perhaps within a week, and France would have been in a worse position than if she accepted the Hoover proposal. By accepting France could, like other countries, look forward to a less hazardous future.

The general tone of the London stock markets opened easier this morning in consequence of doubts regarding the French reply to the Hoover proposal.

Italy Accepts.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Rome, June 24.
Signor Mussolini has telegraphed the Italian Ambassador at Washington to convey Italy's acceptance of the Hoover plan to the American Government.

Germany Asks for Candid Exchange of Views.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, June 23.
The German Government through the German Embassy has formally accepted President Hoover's proposal for a moratorium.

Counter-Proposal.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, June 23.
The French reply to President Hoover is now being drafted, but before dispatching it the French Government is discussing all questions involved with the Italian and Belgian Governments.

Well-informed circles believed that the reply will take the form of a counter-proposal aiming at obtaining the certainty that the Young Plan will not be affected.

German Plea.

BERLIN, June 23.
A plea for a candid exchange of views with France on Franco-German problems was made by Chancellor Brüning in a wireless broadcast last night.

After stating that the German Government was prepared to co-operate to the utmost in the attainment of President Hoover's aim, Herr Brüning declared that the problems confronting France and Germany were so great and urgent for both countries that a candid exchange of views could hardly fail to find some ground satisfactory to a solution.

"Do Not Let Us Fool Ourselves."

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, June 23.
The British Government's cordial acceptance in broad principle of President Hoover's proposals, as announced by the Premier in the House of Commons yesterday, was to-day handed to the United States Government by the British Ambassador in Washington, Sir Ronald Lindsay.

Speaking at the American Chamber of Commerce luncheon in London to-day, the Dominion Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, said that the magnificent action of President Hoover showed that he and his people were not only alive to the economic factor but also to the psychological factor. He could do no other, at that American gathering, than pay a tribute to the wonderful gesture which was the first really practical step towards world recovery. "But don't let us fool ourselves," Mr. Thomas continued, "by assuming that this is the only key. Do not let us misconstrue the situation by assuming that all is now well. There are still many difficulties to get over. There must be other moves and those moves, I believe, are inevitable."

Gain to Australia.

In the House of Representatives at Canberra to-day Mr. James Scullin, the Australian Premier, said that he cordially joined with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald in welcoming President Hoover's proposals and was eagerly awaiting details. Allowing for the relief Britain had already afforded to Australia and also the foregoing of Australia's share of reparations, he estimated that Australia's net gain would be £2,000,000.

U.S. WORSE OFF THAN GREAT BRITAIN.

IMPRESSIONS OF SIR ARTHUR BALFOUR.

Southampton, June 1.—Sir Arthur Balfour's visit to America leads him to prefer the economic situation of Great Britain to that of the United States.

He has attended the International Conference of Chambers of Commerce at Washington, and when he landed here to-day from the Olympic he said:

"If one had to choose between the present economic positions of the United States and Great Britain, one would undoubtedly choose the latter, for, although we have many troubles, our foundations are secure."

Sir Arthur said that the depression in the United States was very much exaggerated by the frantic speculation which had hit practically every home in America. Really good shares had been sacrificed in the disaster which had overtaken speculative shares.

"Dead Wood."

"I do not think we can look for any real recovery in American finance for some time," Sir Arthur added. "There is still a lot of dead wood to cut out. It is unfortunate, because the United States are the largest consumers of raw materials and primary products, and we are only just realising what a large portion of our trade has been concerned with furnishing those raw materials and primary products to the United States."

Sir Arthur said that, from his examination of the economic position of Canada, he was convinced that providing they could liquidate their wheat position without too much loss, there was no reason why the Dominion should not recover economically fairly soon.

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WIMBLEDON TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

TWO JAPANESE DEFEATS IN THIRD ROUND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, June 24.
With lowering skies and showers play was restricted in the centre and number one courts.

On the opening of play there were two Japanese defeats at the hands of Frenchmen, who are more accustomed to heavy turf.

Boussus had Kawachi hopelessly out of position.

Boussus with chop strokes and his longer reach worked havoc with the Japanese defence. Kawachi was obviously handicapped and seemed discouraged and was down quickly to 1-4. In the second set Boussus, by working the ball from side to side, had the advantage owing to Miki's inferior mobility. The latter concentrated on his services mainly by which he pulled up to 3-4, but it was a houseless task for Miki to retrieve. He was also hindered and had to lose frequently but Borotra smashed these exuberantly. Miki then widely concentrated on baseline play and his backhand cross-court shots worried the Frenchman. In the third set Borotra twice double-faulted but went to 3-0 and won comfortably.

MEN'S SINGLES.

Third Round Results.

Boussus beat Kawachi 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.
Borotra beat Miki 6-4, 6-1, 6-2.
Wood, America, beat Maier, the Spanish Davis Cup player, 9-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Thrilling Contest.

LONDON, June 23.
One of the most thrilling contests of the day was witnessed on the centre court between present and past British Davis Cup players, I. G. Hughes and Doctor J. C. Gregory.

Dwarfed Giant.

Unlike Miki, whose smile is a famous attraction to the gallery, Jiro Satoh, who was dwarfed by his six feet ten inches Irish opponent, was an impassive little David against Goliath.

With all his impassiveness, he swung over service aces with David-like aim and Tildenesque power and precision.

The ponderous Irishman's grim demeanour as he kept shuffling to and fro on the baseline made him a quiet character, whereas Satoh with his mouse-like nimbleness was everywhere on the court at once. The Japanese dazzled his opponent with the dexterous manipulation of his returns, coupled with some firework volleys after a dash to the net.

Perry's Swiftness.

F. J. Perry, one of the British hopes, had little difficulty in defeating Aoki. The Japanese, who is greatly admired in England and by Perry himself, hung grimly in the first set and reached five all but after that Perry was his master. He won the next two games for set, and the second set went to him at 6-2.

Aoki staged a brief rally in the third, extracting the first two games by crafty placing, but Perry's virility and swiftness in seizing on the Japanese player's mistakes, which were all too frequent, gave him the match.

Surprising Win.

The young Indian exponent, Madan Mohan, gained a surprisingly easy win over the leading Argentine aspirant to Wimbledon honours, Ronald Boyd.

WOMEN'S SINGLES.

First Round.

Mrs. Harper (America) beat Miss Thomas (Britain), 6-3, 6-4.
Betty Nuthall beat Mdlle. Borotra (France), 6-0, 6-2.
Senorita d'Alvarez (Spain) beat Mrs. Lyett (Britain), 2-6, 6-1, 6-2.
Mrs. Van Ryn (U.S.A.) beat Mlle. Merlin, 6-3, 6-3.

MEN'S SINGLES.

Second Round.

H. W. Austin (Britain) beat H. Satoh (Japan), 6-1, 6-3, 6-0.

(Continued on next column.)

Sir James Lithgow, Sir Arthur Duckham, and Mr. Moir Mackenzie, who undertook a special mission to Canada for the Federation of British Industries, also arrived here to-day.

They expressed satisfaction with the results of the mission, and said that their report would be issued within a fortnight.

Sir Arthur Duckham, speaking of the economic situation in America, said that the people were much more dependent than the people of this country. "They are having a bad time, and they think it is going to last," he said.

The depression, he thought, would have a serious effect upon travel.

MILITARY SPY SHOT IN CANTON.

FORMER OFFICER IN SUN YAT SEN ARMY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 24.
Mr. Ng Tao Fung, a military spy of Nanking, who was finally tracked and arrested during the latter part of last week in his headquarters on Tsing Shui Ho Street, was after a brief trial, forced to face the firing squad in the north-eastern suburb of the city yesterday afternoon at sunset.

The condemned man, a native of Kwangtung, was a high military officer in Chiang Kai Shek's army. He was highly educated, being a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and a military academy of note in America. He had been in military service since his return to China in 1923, and had a brilliant record. In 1923 he was an army officer under Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who was the Generalissimo of the Southern Forces. He later joined the 3rd Army, and in 1928 was appointed by General Chen Tai Tong aide-de-camp in the campaign against the Communists and bandits in southern Kwangtung. In 1929 he accompanied Marshal Li Tsai Hsin to Nanking and joined hands with Marshal Chiang Kai Shek, holding various positions of importance, including a Professorship in the Central University. He was one of the authorized delegates to Weihaiwei at the time when the British Government returned the port to China.

When he was arrested, large quantities of literature of an inflammatory nature were found, all giving evidence of the guilt laid to his charge.

His execution yesterday afternoon attracted a great deal of public attention, and his tragic end was witnessed by a big crowd.

PLEDGE BROKEN BY CANTON GOVT.

WAR LOAN MUST BE PAID FOR IN SILVER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 24.
The sudden and unexpected refusal of the Government to abide by its former decision in the matter of accepting Central Bank of Kwangtung notes in payment for bonds forming the \$10,000,000 War Loan, now under flotation, is arousing considerable anxiety in business circles here. It will be remembered that the Government announced that it would accept these depreciated banknotes to the extent of 40 per cent. if payment was made in June. In July the proportion was to be 30 per cent. banknotes and 70 per cent. silver, in August, 20 and 80 per cent., and if payment was made after August only silver would be accepted. The Government further pledged itself to devote a part of the loan to the resuscitation of its banknotes which are quoted at about 65 cents to the paper dollar.

But in its fever to raise money for military expenses, the Government ignored its former decision and, to the great disappointment of both the property owners and merchants, demanded nothing but silver coins even at the risk of losing public confidence. Evidently the Government does not care to resuscitate its banknotes at present.

Protest by Chamber of Commerce.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce sent a petition to the Provincial Government yesterday, asking it to abide by its former decision as regards accepting banknotes in payment for bonds on behalf of the merchants. The petition printed out that this sudden and un-called-for change in policy would affect the credit of the Government. Moreover, it would add to the general business depression, which is at present anything but good.

CHANG COMPLETELY RECOVERED.

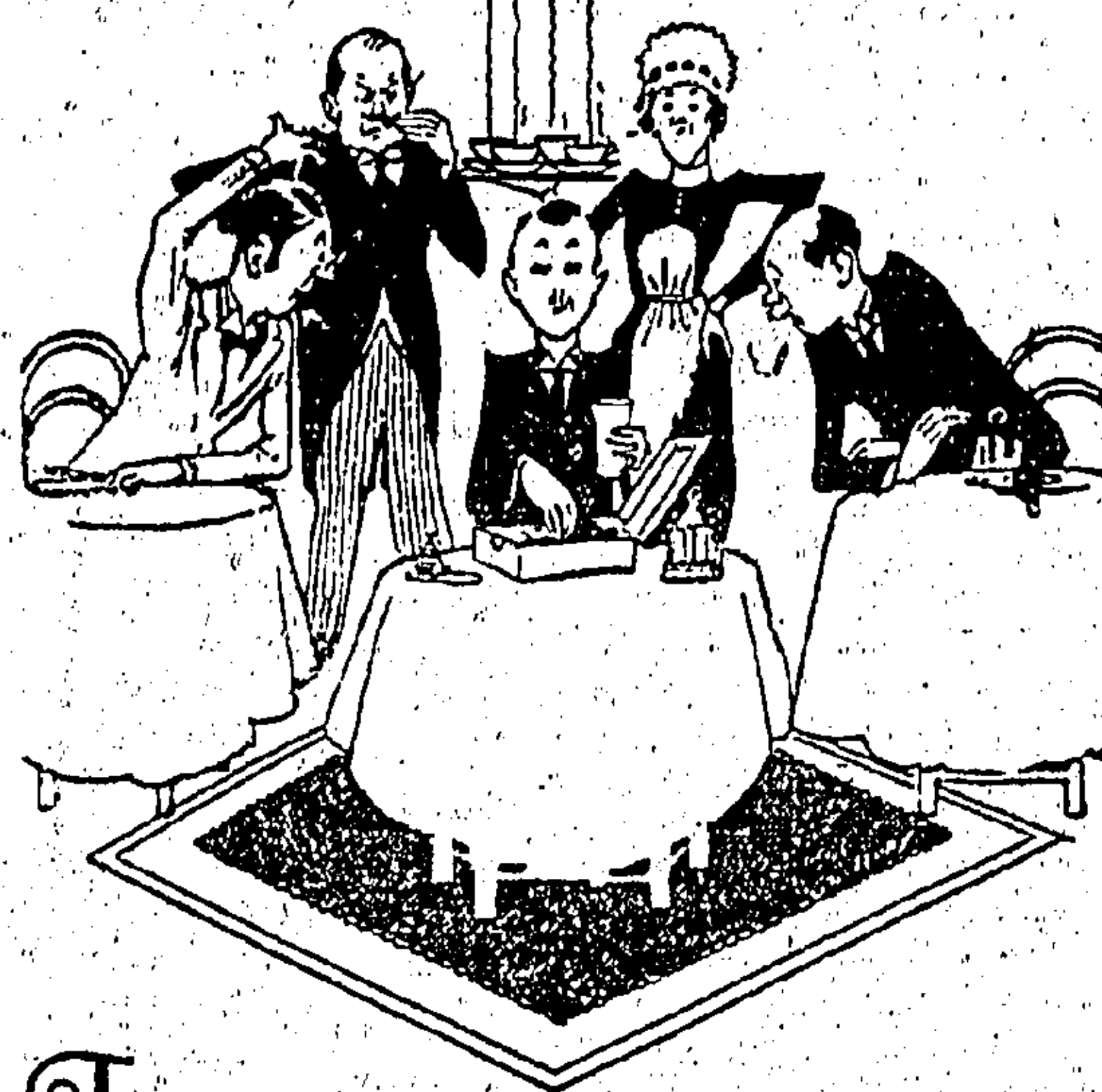
NOW RECEIVING POLITICAL CALLERS.

(Wah Tse Yat Pao.)

THANKS, June 24.
It is announced that General Chang Hsueh Liang has completely recovered from his illness and is expected to receive political callers. He will also shortly grant an interview to Pressmen in order to express his official view on the present political situation.

Other Chinese news will be found on page 5.

Maddening Moments



The man who dared

The manager was furious. The young man scrunched. The waitress was flabbergasted. The young man went on scrunching. Over the faces of his fellow lunchers stole a look of horror mingled with admiration at his sangfroid. Still he went on scrunching.... He didn't care. How delicious they were, these "Ovaltine" Bunks. How subtle their melting crispness.... how piquant their unusual flavour. He took a drink. What an admirable lunch he was having. Why should he order anything else when he had got these perfect bunks? He toyed with the idea of passing them round. Perhaps it was hardly fair to keep such pleasure all to himself. And yet, dash it all, there were only a few left.... No, he couldn't spare them. Certainly not....

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Sports News

TENNIS PROGRAMME AGAIN CURTAILED.

RECREIO HAVE CLOSE GAME WITH UNIVERSITY.

UPSET IN "C" DIVISION: INDIANS GO DOWN TO ARMY TENNIS CLUB.

The mid-week tennis programme was somewhat curtailed yesterday, four matches being postponed with the result that only eight games were decided.

Chief interest was centred on the University-Recreio tie in the "B" division at Pokfulam and by coming out winners, the Portuguese lads have further enhanced their chances for championship honours.

In the "C" division the University Graduates' Association made their initial appearance in local league tennis; they were, however, beaten by Y.M.C.A.

KOWLOON BEATEN BY HONG KONG.

"B" DIVISION.

University v. Recreio.

On the University ground, Pokfulam, the undergraduates lost to Club de Recreio by four sets to five.

The scores were:—

D. J. N. Anderson and G. E. Teoh (H.K.U.)

beat C. A. Baretto and V. Yanovich

lost to E. Souza and F. J. Remedios

beat A. Silva and J. Remedios

Y. S. Chew and S. Wong (H.K.U.)

lost to G. A. Baretto and V. Yanovich

tied with E. Souza and F. J. Remedios

tied with A. Silva and J. Remedios

F. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien (H.K.U.)

lost to G. A. Baretto and V. Yanovich

lost to E. Souza and F. J. Remedios

beat A. Silva and J. Remedios

Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.

Playing on their own ground the Kowloon C.C. lost to the Hong Kong C.C. by four sets to five.

The scores were:—

R. B. Hambly and P. M. Finget (K.C.C.)

beat C. Maresilles and D. Brittain-Evans

lost to C. A. Wright and T. C. Monaghan

beat C. C. Starr and A. C. I. Bowker

F. Zimmern and L. Jack (K.C.C.)

beat Maresilles and Brittain-Evans

lost to Wright and Monaghan

lost to Starr and Bowker

R. A. Carroll and R. S. Capell (K.C.C.)

tied with Maresilles and Brittain-Evans

lost to Wright and Monaghan

lost to Starr and Bowker

"C" DIVISION.

Army T.O. v. Indian R.O.

Playing at home, the Army Tennis Club beat Indian Recreation Club by 5½ sets to 2½.

The scores were:—

S. M. Paul and C. S. Jarman (A.T.O.)

beat J. S. Akber and S. A. R. Bux

lost to A. R. H. Esmail and D. Mohammed

tied with A. M. Rumjahn and A. K. Suffad

S. M. Lewis and Pte. Lewis (A.T.O.)

lost to J. S. Akber and S. A. R. Bux

beat A. R. H. Esmail and D. Mohammed

beat A. M. Rumjahn and A. K. Suffad

S. S. Mitchell and Pte. Savell (A.T.O.)

beat J. S. Akber and S. A. R. Bux

beat A. R. H. Esmail and D. Mohammed

lost to A. M. Rumjahn and A. K. Suffad

Chinese R.O. v. University.

Playing on their own courts, Chinese Recreation Club beat the University by seven sets to two.

The scores were:—

C. C. Chiu and W. C. Hung (R.O.C.)

beat L. Oppenheim and L. A. de Silva

beat P. P. Kho and K. M. Lo

beat P. L. Tan and A. L. Tsai

X. Lau and Iu Tak Lam (O.R.C.)

LOCAL AQUATIC NEWS.

FULL DETAILS OF COMING INTERPORT.

THREE-SIDED CONTEST.

[By "FREE STYLE"]

Three ports will be represented at Shanghai in September, when the interport swimming comes off. The contestants will be Shanghai, Hong Kong and Tientsin. An invitation was extended to Kobe, but unfortunately they were unable to send a team. The interport will be held in Shanghai at the bath of the Cercle Sportif Francais under the rules of the Federation Internationale De Natation and the contest has been fixed for September 10, 11, 12.

Regarding the conditions of the interport the following extract from a letter received by the Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association is of interest:—

"All events to be open to service men as well as civilians being bona fide residents or having residence of six months or over. For the swimming, diving, long plunge and throwing the polo ball events, only two representatives to compete from each port, this will mean that there will be six competitors in each swimming event. Each team in the relay race to have four members only and each individual member to swim one length of the bath, that is, sixty yards."

Regarding the system of scoring, the following has been suggested from Shanghai for the swimming, long plunge, polo ball and diving events:—

First Place—5 points.
Second Place—3 points.
Third Place—2 points.
Fourth Place—1 point.
Fifth Place—0 point.
Sixth Place—0 point.

In the event of a dead heat, the points for both places are to be equally divided. The scoring of points in relay races has been suggested as follows:—

First team—6 points.
Second team—4 points.
Third team—2 points.

For the scoring of points for water polo, the following has been suggested:—

Winning team—3 points.
Losing team—0 points.

In connection with the above, the letter embodying the above particulars states: "Points will only be awarded to competitors who complete the course. There are to be no re-swims in the event of a dead heat and no replays in the water polo games. This rule will not apply in the diving event. In the event of two or more teams having the same total number of points for the interport contest, the water polo goal average for the three games played will be the deciding factor."

In connection with the high diving competition, the event consists of four set and four optional dives and all off the low spring-board. The four set dives to be:—

Plain front.
Plain back.
Front Jack knife.
Back Jack knife.

The programme for the three night's sport on September 10, 11, and 12 has been arranged as follows:—

SEPTEMBER 10.
230 yards Free Style.
Throwing the Polo Ball.
100 Yards Breast Stroke.
Water Polo (Shanghai vs. Tientsin).

SEPTEMBER 11.
100 yards Free Style.
880 yards Free Style.
Long Plunge.
Interport Team Races.
Water Polo (Hong Kong vs. Tientsin).

SEPTEMBER 12.
100 yards backstroke.
Interport Diving.
50 yards Free Style.
440 yards Free Style.
Water Polo (Shanghai vs. Hong Kong).

With regard to the programme and the suggested system of scoring, there are obvious defects in them. There is much to which Hong Kong should object. However, I have no doubt that the officials in charge of the interport will in due course forward their objections on the suggested programme. Next week, I hope to publish some of the flaws in the programme and at the same time give some indication of those who are likely to be selected.

COUNTY CRICKET MATCHES RESULTS.

ENGLAND PLAYERS COME OFF WITH FLYING COLOURS.

NOTTS REGISTER BIGGEST WIN OF SEASON: LARWOOD IN DEADLY FORM WITH THE BALL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, June 23.

Notts registered the biggest victory of the season when they beat Kent by 308 runs at Trent Bridge. A feature of the match was that the winners only managed 180 in the first innings but made a good recovery when they batted for the second time. The match was set aside for the Whysall Benefit Fund and it incidentally saw England's fast bowler, Harry Larwood, in wonderful form with the ball; he took 9 wickets for 41 runs!

Warwickshire beat Glamorgan at Swansea while the Northamptonshire-New Zealanders match resulted in a win for the latter. Bakewell, who is to play for England in the Test on Saturday, batted magnificently in both innings, scoring 100 and 83 not out, respectively.

The most outstanding batting and bowling performances were:

| Batting. | Bowling. |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Tyldesley (Lancashire) 127 | Bowes (Yorks) 11 for 102 |
| Sutcliffe (Yorkshire) 120 | Larwood (Notts) 9 for 41 |
| Bakewell (Northants) 108 | Tyldesley (Lancs.) 7 for 39 |
| and 83 | Staples (S.) (Notts) 5 for 33 |
| Smith (Derbyshire) 108 | J. C. White (Somerset) 5 for 35 |
| Croomb (Warwickshire) 103 | Slater (Derby) 5 for 38 |
| Hallows (Lancashire) 100 | Mitchell (Derby) 5 for 47 |
| —Not out. | Hopwood (Lancs.) 4 for 1 |

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE.

| | 1st Inn. | No. | Pts. |
|------------------|----------|-----|------|
| Notts | 11 | 7 | 1 |
| Kent | 11 | 6 | 1 |
| Gloucestershire | 12 | 5 | 3 |
| Lancashire | 12 | 4 | 2 |
| Surrey | 13 | 3 | 1 |
| Middlesex | 11 | 4 | 3 |
| Yorkshire | 10 | 3 | 1 |
| Worcestershire | 12 | 3 | 4 |
| Derbyshire | 11 | 2 | 4 |
| Essex | 13 | 2 | 6 |
| Leicestershire | 10 | 1 | 3 |
| Hampshire | 11 | 1 | 2 |
| Sussex | 10 | 1 | 3 |
| Warwickshire | 11 | 4 | 2 |
| Northamptonshire | 10 | 1 | 3 |
| Glamorganshire | 10 | 1 | 4 |
| Somersetshire | 10 | 1 | 4 |

The method of scoring this year is as follows:—15 points for a win; 7½ points for a tie; 5 points for a win on the first innings and 3 points for a loss on the first innings; 4 points for a tie on the first innings and 4 points for a no result.

DERBY v. HAMPSHIRE.

DENNIS SMITH SCORES A CENTURY.

At Chesterfield, Derby beat Hampshire by the comfortable margin of eight wickets.

Taking first knock, Hampshire were all out for 200 runs, Mitchell being the most successful bowler for Derby with 5 for 47. Dennis Smith, the Derbyshire left-hander, played a fine innings for 108 runs when his county went in for the first time; the side totalled 325.

In their second innings Hampshire made 104, Slater taking 5 wickets for 36, and Derby knocked off the required runs for the loss of only two wickets.

The scores were:—
Hampshire, 1st innings 200
Derby, 1st innings 225
Smith, 108
Hampshire, 2nd innings 104
Slater, 5 for 36
Derby, 2nd innings (for 2 wickets) 40

GLAMORGAN v. WARWICK.

ESSEX v. SURREY.

EASY WIN FOR SURREY.

At Leyton Surrey beat Essex by an innings and 80 runs.

Essex batted first when they compiled 102 and to this total Surrey hit up 394 in reply. There was nothing outstanding in their knock, however, consistent scoring on the part of most of their batsmen being the main reason for their good score. In their second knock Essex again failed to get going and were all out for 182, leaving Surrey winners as above stated.

The scores were:—
Essex, 1st innings 102
Surrey, 1st innings 394
Essex, 2nd innings 182

GLAMORGAN v. WARWICK.

FINE INNINGS BY CROOM.

At Swansea, Warwickshire beat Glamorgan by the margin of five wickets.

Glamorgan batted first when they totalled 220 runs and to this Warwickshire replied with 212. In their second knock Glamorgan made 178, leaving Warwickshire 187 to win. Thanks to a fine innings by Croom (103, not out) they wiped off the deficit for the loss of only 5 wickets.

The scores were:—
Glamorgan, 1st innings 220
Warwick, 1st innings 212
Glamorgan, 2nd innings 178
Warwick, 2nd innings (5 wickets, declared) 183
Croom, 103 not out.

WORCESTER v. SOMERSET.

"FARMER" WHITE BOWLS WELL.

At Kidderminster, Worcester gained first innings points from Somerset.

Against a total of 220 set up by Worcester who had first knock, Somerset replied with 157. In the second innings Worcester made 119, White taking 5 wickets for 35 runs. Somerset had made 90 for 4 when stumps were drawn, the scores being:—
Worcester, 1st innings 220
Somerset, 1st innings 157
Worcester, 2nd innings 119
White, 5 for 35
Somerset, 2nd innings (for 4 wickets) 90

NORTHANTS v. NEW ZEALANDERS.

BAKEWELL'S SPLENDID BATTING.

The feature of this match, at Peterborough, was the fine batting of Bakewell, the young Northamptonshire batsman who has been selected to play for England in the Test match against the New Zealanders, which is scheduled to start at Lord's on Saturday. Although the visitors won by six wickets, Bakewell treated their bowling with scant respect and followed up a brilliant century in the first innings by an equally brilliant 83, not out in the second knock.

Northants batted first and, thanks to Bakewell's contribution, made 334 runs. The visitors replied with 340 and when the county went in again, they were all out for 160, despite Bakewell's 83 not out. The New Zealanders then knocked off the required runs for the loss of only four wickets, the scores being:—
Northants, 1st innings 334
Bakewell, 109.
New Zealanders, 1st innings 334
Northants, 2nd innings 160
Bakewell, 83 not out.
New Zealanders, 2nd innings (for 4 wickets) 155

First Innings of Notts.
Lilley, c Marshall, b Lee 3
Staples (A.), b Lee 113
Walker, c Marshall, b Young 125
A. W. Carr, c Burrough, b Young 37
Larwood, c Wellard, b Young 1
Vice, b Young 30
Hardstaff, b Lee 8
Keeton, not out 27
Staples (S.), not out 27
Extras 2

First Innings of Somerset.

Young, b Larwood 0
Lee (J.), b Barratt 3
H. D. Burrough, b Barratt 11
L. P. Marshall, b Larwood 0
J. C. White, hit wicket, b Larwood 2
C. C. Case, c b Larwood 3
G. F. Earle, b Larwood 0
Wellard, b Larwood 8
L. Hawkins, not out 17
Linney, b Larwood 0
Pratten, c Lilley, b Staples (S.) 14
Extras 8
Total 67

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Wellard 29 6 09 0
Lee 31 0 76 3
White 33 15 00 0
Young 33 7 92 4
Hawkins 7 1 33 0
Linney 3 0 13 0

First Innings of Somerset.

Young, b Larwood 0
Lee (J.), b Barratt 3
H. D. Burrough, b Barratt 11
L. P. Marshall, b Larwood 0
J. C. White, hit wicket, b Larwood 2
C. C. Case, c b Larwood 3
G. F. Earle, b Larwood 0
Wellard, b Larwood 8
L. Hawkins, not out 17
Linney, b Larwood 0
Pratten, c Lilley, b Staples (S.) 14
Extras 8
Total 67

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Larwood 11 2 25 7
Barratt 11 4 18 2
Vice 2 0 3 0
Staples (S.) 3 5 1 3
Robinson 2 0 9 0
Vice bowled two no-balls.

Second Innings of Somerset.

Young, c Lilley, b Larwood 1
Lee (J.), b.w., b Robinson 31
H. D. Burrough, b Barratt 4
J. C. White, not out 32
C. C. Case, c Staples (S.), b Staples (A.) 18
G. F. Earle, not out 39
L. Hawkins, c Lilley, b Vice 18
Extras 16
Total (for 5 wickets) 190

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Money and Markets

SINGAPORE STOCK MARKET.

FRASER & CO.'S WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. Fraser & Co., Singapore, in their weekly circular dated June 16, state:—

Sellers have predominated in most of the local industrials since our last report, with the exception of United Engineers, Wearnes, Gammons and Hammers which have remained steady with sellers somewhat reserved.

The issue of the half-yearly balance sheet of the Straits Trading Co., may be anticipated shortly, but the additional interest in the share usually in evidence from investors at this period has been noticeably lacking.

The price of Tin for the three months' position firmed up sharply earlier in the week from 2102.50 to 2106.17, but subsequently reacted to 2104, the closing figure, with shares registering small gains on balance. Straits shipments of the smelted metal for the first half of the month are reported as 3,700 tons, showing a small increase against the corresponding fortnight in May.

Business in Rubber shares continues extremely difficult to negotiate and numerous selling orders remain unexecuted.

Mining.—Business was as usual chiefly confined to the smaller-priced stock and Sungei Lunas changed hands at \$1.05 and now offer slightly under. Penawats were done at 54 cents, Kuchias at 51 cents and Kinta Tin Dredges at \$1.02. There was nothing doing in sterling, but there are small enquiries for Ayer Hitam Tin at 11/- and Tronohs at 10/3, whilst in Australians, Puchong shares wanted at 8/- with further shares wanted at 8/6. Raub opened with markings at \$15.50 and later business was put through at \$15.75, whilst Malayan Collieries have been idle at \$27.50. Johans could be placed at 20 cents ex div., Petalings \$3.50, Sungei Ways \$1.05 and a small parcel of Temengors at market rates.

Rubber.—There is practically no market these days in Rubber shares, the only business transacted being in Bukit Kepong at 47 cents and a small parcel of Malaka Pindas made 50 cents. Haytors and Ulu Pandans have buyers, but apart from these stocks, practically every other share is on offer.

Industrials.—A small parcel of Straits Traders found at \$20.25, but shares are now available at \$20. Hammers came to business at \$18.00. Wearnes \$3.45 and \$3.50, Cycle & Carriage 25 cents, and an odd lot of Fraser & Neave Ords. at \$11.55. Central Engines are enquired for at 24 cents and further Wearnes at \$2.40, also Gammons at \$12.00, the latter being particularly scarce in the market at present. There are sellers of Singapore Cold Storage at \$4.50, Eastern United at \$25.25, and Straits Steamships at \$21.11. McAlister \$70, also United Engineers at \$7.55 with a buyers slightly under. In the Preference Issues, United Engineer Prefrs. reacted to \$11.50 business done, Fraser & Neave Prefrs. are wanted at \$6.50 and Consolidated Tin Smelter Prefrs. offer at 17/3. London shares called last night are slightly firmer with Shell Transports a better market at 49/3 middle, Dunlops being quoted at 16/- middle on the new basis. British-American Tobacco \$3.10, Hong Kong Banks 2102.00, Duffs 1/6, Imperial Tobacco \$4.53, Courtlands 25/6, Imperial Chemicals 13/3, Unilevers 30/0 and Czecho-Slovakia 8 per cent. \$110.10/0.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

| RUOY, June 23. | |
|----------------|------------|
| Paris | 124.25 |
| New York | 4.86 11/16 |
| Brussels | 34.94 |
| Geneva | 25.02 |
| Amsterdam | 12.00 |
| Milan | 92.95 |
| Berlin | 20.48 |
| Stockholm | 18.14 |
| Copenhagen | 18.10 |
| Oslo | 18.10 |
| Vienna | 34.62 |
| Prague | 16.42 |
| Helsingfors | 19.31 |
| Lisbon | 110 |
| Madrid | 49.85 |
| Athens | 375 |
| Bucharest | 817 |
| Rio | 3 13/16 |
| Buenos Aires | 35 9/16 |
| Montevideo | 29 |
| Bombay | 1/15 |
| Shanghai | 1/12 |
| Hong Kong | 1/12 |
| Yokohama | 2/4 |
| Silver | |
| Spot | 13 1/2 |
| Forward | 13 3/16 |

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

The Export and Import Co., Ltd. of Cochinchina send us the following Bi-Monthly Circular from Saigon, dated May 30.

Our last circular was dated May 15, and during the interval our market has ruled very quiet.

The firmness reported in our last circular did not last long, as owing to the heavy drop in Silver business with North China came automatically to an end, and we have to-day to register the lowest prices touched since the commencement of the present season.

There is still a weak undertone in the market but as our prices are now on a parity with Rangoon quotations, a demand from Indian ports may set in ere long.

Our total exports to date amount to a little over 427,000 tons, as against 634,000 tons for the same period last year.

We quote as follows for shipment during June/July.

| No. | Rice. | |
|-------|---|--------|
| 1 | Pycenow Long 25 per cent. broken | \$4.00 |
| 1 | Saigon Long 25 per cent. broken | 3.80 |
| 1 | Saigon Round 25 per cent. broken | 3.80 |
| 1 | Ordinary European Qual. 25 per cent. | 3.80 |
| 2 | Japan quality 40 per cent. broken | 3.40 |
| 2 | Java quality 50 per cent. broken | 3.20 |
| 1 & 2 | Saigon Broken mixed | 2.70 |
| 3 | Saigon Broken rice | 2.10 |
| | Saigon ex, F.O.B. per picul of 134 lbs. gross including export duty. | |
| | Faddy. | |
| | Bacieu best Long | \$2.70 |
| | Long ordinary | 2.60 |
| | Geong best Round | 2.80 |
| | Round ordinary | 2.70 |
| | Cochinchina low grade | 2.60 |
| | Cambodian White (long) | 2.50 |
| | Cambodian Red (lowest grade) | 2.30 |
| | Saigon ex, F.O.B. per picul of 130 lbs. gr. including export duty, packed in second-hand bag. | |

RAW SILK.

NARROW FLUCTUATIONS.

Messrs. Pentreath & Co. have forwarded us the following letter dated June 1 which they have received from Messrs. Hornby, Homebry & Co. of Liverpool:—

Narrow fluctuations have been recorded during the fortnight under review, and values are three to four points higher than a fortnight ago and about 7 points dearer than the recent low record of \$2.13c. for July delivery.

The New York and Chicago certificated stock on the 21st ult. totalled 1,700 bales (440 bales Grade A and 660 bales Grade C).

Japanese port stocks on the 15th ult. amounted to 137,300 bales, compared with 139,400 bales at the end of April.

Mail advices from New York indicate that while spot Raw Silk is not plentiful and stocks are poorly assorted, importers do not find much incentive to carry heavy supplies on account of the steady decline which has taken place, and prefer to make contracts for shipment from Japan.

According to cables from the other side, hosiery sales are of limited extent, but prices are being maintained. Piece goods continue moving in fair volume at unprofitable prices.

The new crop cocoon purchasing season is now in progress, and as has been the case in previous years at this time, some further easing may develop in Raw Silk values.

Close New York Friday:—July, September, October and December \$2.20c.

Wool Tops.

The new market has displayed a weak tendency since its inauguration on May 18 when September opened at 74.20c.

Close New York Friday:—September 71.40c, January 71.40c, and March 71.60c.

THE CHARGES AGAINST LORD KYLSANT.

COUNSEL ALLEGES "DELIBERATE FALSE REPRESENTATION" TO R.M.S.P. SHAREHOLDERS.

TRANSFERS FROM HIDDEN RESERVES SUGGESTED.

What the Lord Mayor of London (Sir Phene Neill) described as "very serious accusations" were made against Lord Kysant, chairman of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, when he answered summonses at the Guildhall yesterday for publishing false directors' reports for 1926 and 1927.

Mr. H. J. Morland, a Chartered Accountant, of Messrs Price, Waterhouse and Company, and former auditor of the company was charged with aiding and abetting. Counsel said it was Mr. Morland, and not his firm, who was the auditor at the material time.

Immediately the Court opened a new charge, brought by the Director of Public Prosecutions, was made against Lord Kysant alone—that of issuing a prospectus, in June, 1928, which it was alleged, prevailed upon the public by false statements, concerning trading profits, to subscribe £2,000,000.

A PROFIT, OR LOSSES?

The falsity of the directors' reports, for which Mr. D. N. Pritt, K.C., Counsel for the Crown, claimed Lord Kysant was personally responsible, lay, he said, in representing to the shareholders that in 1926 and 1927 the R.M.S.P. group had made large trading profits when, in fact, they had made serious losses.

The true position was, said Mr. Pritt, that instead of the stated profit of £355,000 in 1926, there was a loss of £504,063, and in 1927 there was a loss of £260,309 instead of the profit shown of £450,890.

"The figure was wrong," he declared, "by £1,159,988 in 1926 and by £1,180,240 in 1927." Hidden reserves, it was alleged, which had no special connection with the years concerned, were passed off as profits.

£500,000 Overdraft.

Among the statements made by Mr. Pritt were:

That Lord Kysant's remuneration from the R.M.S.P. was £23,000 a year except when the company paid a dividend on Ordinary shares, when his commission was 2 per cent. on gross takings. In 1927 it amounted, he thought, to £23,000.

That the crucial part of the false prospectus to raise £2,000,000 was expressly drafted by Lord Kysant; and that it was about the time when there was a bank overdraft of £500,000 that Lord Kysant said: "We shall have to make a fresh issue."

Mr. Pritt said the prospectus contained a statement intended to convince the reader that the company during the past 10 years had made a trading profit every year of about £500,000, whereas the Crown proposed to show that for seven years there had been a heavy trading loss.

"That," he said, "is the essence of the charge."

Sir John Simon, for Lord Kysant, and Sir Patrick Hastings, for Mr. Morland, made it clear that their clients challenged every allegation and were anxious to deal with them at the first opportunity.

COUNSEL'S OPENING STATEMENT.

AFFAIRS OF SEVEN COMPANIES INVOLVED.

Mr. D. N. Pritt, in opening the case, said they would be concerned to some extent with six other companies which are subsidiaries of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company in that the entire shareholding was invested in the R.M.S.P. They were generally called a hundred per cent. subsidiaries.

His Salary As Director £23,000 to £26,000.

Lord Kysant's remuneration in the R.M.S.P. was £23,000 a year, except when, as generally happened, the R.M.S.P. paid a dividend of 5 per cent. on its ordinary shareholdings. In that case his remuneration was a commission of half per cent. on the gross takings. It amounted, he thought, in 1927, to £26,000.

In 1926 the dividend was only four per cent., consequently Lord Kysant had nothing but £23,000.

Mr. Morland was auditor of the R.M.S.P., and it was fair to state at once that he was not the auditor of any of the six 100 per cent. subsidiaries.

Counsel continued.

"What the Crown alleges is that Lord Kysant did, in 1926 and in 1927 by his profit and loss account and balance-sheet—for the form of which we alleged Lord Kysant was himself personally responsible—represent that the R.M.S.P. group had made large trading profits, whereas in truth the group had made serious losses.

"With regard to Mr. losses," "With regard to Mr. Morland we say that in his capacity as auditor he acquiesced in that course of conduct and signed the report at the foot of the balance-sheet stating that the balance-sheet gave a correct description of the company's position."

"One of the matters of which the Crown makes complaint," said Mr. Pritt, "is that for these two years large hidden reserves—the existence of which was perfectly legitimate—were passed off as profits for the year."

Mr. Pritt went on to refer to the 1926 report of the directors. "So far as I know," he said, "Mr. Morland is not responsible for these words, but Lord Kysant is."

He then read a number of extracts from the report and from the profit and loss account. Referring to the credit side of that account, Mr. Pritt said:

"Then come the words on which a very great deal turns. They are 'Balance for the year, including dividends on shares in allied and other companies, adjustment of taxation reserves, less depreciation on fleet, etc., £439,212 12s. 1d.'"

Mr. Pritt added that there were then two minor items and then came the phrase, "transfer from reserve fund, £150,000."

He submitted that the words beginning "balance for the year," coupled with the words, "transfer from reserve" was a clear representation to the shareholders that the company had earned on its trading £439,000 odd, and that the transfers from reserves amounted to £150,000 in all.

From Hidden Reserves.

"The facts were," said Mr. Pritt, "that that balance of £439,000 was only brought about by wholesale transfers from hidden reserves which had nothing whatever to do with that year at all, and, in fact, had become free a couple of years before, and that this is simply a deliberately false representation to the shareholders that the company is making a trading profit when in fact it is making a serious trading loss."

Mr. Pritt proceeded to read a report by Mr. Morland, as auditor, which stated:

"In my opinion, the balance-sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the company's affairs as shown by the books of the company."

One great source from which drawings were made, said counsel, were the six 100 per cent. subsidiary companies of which Lord Kysant was chairman and which were controlled by him.

The Most Fleet.

Dealing with the accounts of the most transport fleet, which was chartered by the R.M.S.P., Mr. Pritt said:

(Continued on next column.)

CANADA'S LATEST DESTROYER.

EVERYTHING CENTRALISED: CREWS COMFORTS.

Canada's faith that her future lies on the water has given birth to the first ship to be built specially for her own Navy. H.M.C.S. Saguenay, which commissioned at Portsmouth on May 22 and was to cross the Atlantic early in June.

She gave the impression of a miniature cruiser rather than of a destroyer, which is natural when her functions are considered. She must be ready to face extremes of temperature varying between 20 degrees below zero and nearly 100 degrees Fahrenheit.

This presents difficulties for 160 men cooped up with a mass of machinery in a small ship, with nothing but thin steel plates between them and a tropical sun or a frozen sea.

The problem is solved in this destroyer after the manner of the latest battleship, by centralising the supply of necessities and comforts. Central heating, central ventilation, central cooking, and central stores are a few examples.

A recreation space and a sick bay with violet rays and other conveniences have been provided for the crew. Even iced ginger beer and iced water are catered for by a central refrigerating plant.

Each man has his own double locker on the communal mess decks, which are airy and spacious.

It is all very shocking for a man who believes that discomfort spells efficiency. But the smaller the ship the greater the justification for providing comforts.

Despite her heavy scantlings to resist ice, she exceeded her designed speed of 35 knots, achieving more than 36 knots on her trials.

The complaint which the Crown made in regard to this particular company was that it was making a modest loss, but was nevertheless brought in to pay a dividend to fill a gap of the R.M.S.P.

In 1926 it made a trading loss of £21,941, but it brought from its reserves £22,500, so as to show a surplus for the year of £559, and declared a dividend which absorbed a net payment of £55,000. So that in that year, while making a trading loss of nearly £22,000, it paid dividends to the Royal Mail Steam Packet £55,000.

In 1927 the profit of that company was £23,607, but it brought in from reserve £23,250, and declared a dividend which again absorbed £55,000. Therefore, in the two years the R.M.S.P. collected an apparent profit of £110,000 from its subsidiaries, which sum in truth was composed of £3,712 profits, £27,750 from reserve, and £15,536, "which in a sense comes from nowhere."

£200,000 Problem.

Referring to the Nelson Companies, Mr. Pritt said 1927 disclosed a curious state of affairs. The companies made a trading profit of £23,113, and paid in dividend £4,142. In the same year they declared bonuses of £300,000, and paid these to the R.M.S.P. in the sense that they handed over £300,000 in cash to the R.M.S.P., and in the same week the R.M.S.P. handed back to them £300,000 in payment for certain shares.

That £300,000, he said, figured as part of the item, "£297,000 balance for the year including dividends on shares in allied and other companies."

Mr. Pritt said that the Pacific Steam Navigation Co., another 100 per cent. subsidiary, made a trading loss in 1926 of £183,755, but they paid dividends by bringing in certain old reserves, and treating as part of the profits for the year profits from the sale of ships. They showed an apparent profit of £60,532, and paid a dividend of £60,000 to the R.M.S.P.

The figures of 1927 told almost the same story.

Coming to the R.M.S.P. itself, Mr. Pritt said:

"The profit shown by the R.M.S.P. on the face of the accounts for 1926 is £235,325. The true position, we say, including the losses in the subsidiaries, is that there was in 1926 an actual trading loss of £804,063, and somehow we have to find out how an apparent trading profit of £235,000 odd is to be reconciled with a true trading loss of £804,063."

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WOMAN FALLS OVER 100 FT. CLIFF.

CONSTABLE RISKS LIFE TO SAVE HER.

As a constable rushed forward with his arm outstretched to clutch her, a woman fell 100 feet to death over the cliff at Black Rock, Brighton.

She was identified some hours later as Miss Agnes Ellen Knight (52), of Edouard-avenue, Brighton.

P.C. Barker first saw the woman in the afternoon. She was then near the edge of the cliff, and her agitated manner led the officer to speak to her. It is understood that she said she had recently been ill.

Knowing the fascination of the cliffs for people in ill-health the constable persuaded her to walk with him away from the danger zone. He took her to a police box, and gave her a cup of tea from his flask.

Life Risked to Save Her.

The constable continued his duties, and later decided to go to the station and ask if the woman had left by train.

While making inquiries there he happened to glance towards the cliff. There, standing within a few feet of the edge, he saw the woman.

He dashed in her direction and scrambled up a steeply sloping bank 30 feet high, risking a fall into the sea.

Guiding the summit he ran towards the spot where she was standing. He called to her, and he was within half a dozen yards of her when she disappeared over the edge.

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BOY'S "BIT OF FUN."

THREAT BY PHONE TO SHOOT GIRL.

A fourteen-year-old Southend boy, charged in the local children's court with threatening to shoot May Birkins, aged 23, a domestic servant, was stated to have rung up the house at Westcliff where she was employed and asked her to meet him.

He said, "If you don't meet me I will shoot you. You know what they do to girls in Chicago. That is what I will do."

Mrs. Alice Maud Shreed, the girl's employer, said that she telephone on two occasions and invited the prisoner to go to the house. He said: "You don't want murder, do you, and that is what will happen if I come up."

He asked that anyone who went to meet him should wear a white coat and hat, and said that he would wear plus fours and a buttonhole.

The accused boy apologised to the Court and said that he "only did it for a bit of fun."

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Haichow, B. & S., June 20.
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GENOA

Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
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ANTWERP

Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Kashgar, P. & O., July 4.
Peru, Manners, July 6.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
St. Albans, E. & A., July 3.
Taiping, B. & S., July 17.
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BALTI PORTS

Peru, Manners, July 6.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

BALTIMORE

Foylbank, Bank, July 14.

BANGKOK

Kaying, B. & S., June 23.
Kueiyang, B. & S., June 30.
Kueichow, B. & S., July 3.

BARCELONA

Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, July 25.

BELAWAN-DELL

Cramer, J.C.J.L., July 2.

BOMBAY

Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Carignano, Dodwell's, July 5.
Mirzapore, P. & O., July 8.
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Pilsna, Dodwell's, July 12.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., July 18.

BOSTON

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, June 29.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, July 12.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., July 13.
Foylbank, Bank, July 14.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 26.

BREMEN

Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Main, Melchers, June 23.
Peru, Manners, July 6.
Oder, Melchers, July 12.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, July 25.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

BRINDISI

Carignano, Dodwell's, July 5.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, July 12.

CALCUTTA

Yuensang, Jardine's, June 23.
Merioke Maru, N.Y.K., June 20.
Tama, B.I., June 29.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., July 7.
Takada, B.I., July 7.
Kumsang, Jardine's, July 9.
Suisang, Jardine's, July 20.
Sirdhana, B.I., July 20.

CASABLANCA

Kashgar, P. & O., July 4.
Diomed, B.F., July 21.

CHEFOO

Huichow, B. & S., June 26.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, July 3.
Kueichow, B. & S., July 7.
Chipshing, Jardine's, July 10.

COLOMBO

Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Carignano, Dodwell's, July 5.
Athos II, M.M., July 7.
Mirzapore, P. & O., July 8.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, July 12.
D'Artagnan, M.M., July 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 26.
Glenapp, Jardine's, July 27.

COPENHAGEN

Peru, Manners, July 6.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

DALNY

Antenor, B.F., June 25.
Yingchow, B. & S., June 27.
Toan, B. & S., June 29.
Hector, B.F., July 24.

DUTCH PORTS

Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Main, Melchers, June 23.
Kashgar, P. & O., July 4.
Peru, Manners, July 6.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Ramses, Jensen, July 8.
City of Bombay, Bank, July 10.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Oder, Melchers, July 12.
Leverkusen, Jensen, July 18.
Diomed, B.F., July 21.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, July 25.
Glenapp, Jardine's, July 27.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

FOOCHOW

Haiyang, Douglas, June 23.
Huichow, B. & S., June 20.
Yingchow, B. & S., June 27.
Haichow, Douglas, June 30.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, July 3.
Haining, Douglas, July 3.
Kueichow, B. & S., July 7.
Chipshing, Jardine's, July 10.

GENOA

Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, July 12.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 28.

GLASGOW

Adrastus, B.F., July 2.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Antiochus, B.F., July 20.

GOTHENBURG

Nagara, Gilman's, July 4.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW

Kueiyang, B. & S., June 20.
Kueichow, B. & S., July 3.

HAMBURG

Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Main, Melchers, June 23.
Nagara, Gilman's, July 4.
Peru, Manners, July 6.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Ramses, Jensen, July 8.
City of Bombay, Bank, July 10.
Oder, Melchers, July 12.
Leverkusen, Jensen, July 18.
Diomed, B.F., July 21.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, July 25.
Glenapp, Jardine's, July 27.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

HAVANA

Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.

HAVRE

Adrastus, B.F., July 2.
Antiochus, B.F., July 20.
Perim, P. & O., July 25.

HONGKAY

Kueiyang, B. & S., June 30.

HONOLULU

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 30.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., July 8.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., July 18.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., July 21.

HULL

Kashgar, P. & O., July 4.

JAPAN PORTS

Venezia, Dodwell's, June 26.
Ixion, B.F., June 27.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., June 28.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 30.
Hoian Maru, N.Y.K., June 30.
Suisang, Jardine's, June 30.
Genshiel, Jardine's, July 2.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., July 3.
Khyher, P. & O., July 3.
Sirdhana, B.I., July 3.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., July 4.
Rhexenor, B.F., July 5.
Nellore, E. & A., July 6.
Saarland, Jensen, July 6.
Andre Lebson, M.M., July 7.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., July 8.
Foshing, Jardine's, July 8.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., July 8.
Machao, B.F., July 9.
Isar, Melchers, July 10.
Antiochus, B.F., July 13.
Rajputana, P. & O., July 17.
Tilawa, B.I., July 17.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., July 18.
Kumsang, Jardine's, July 18.
Glenagarry, Jardine's, July 19.
Kulmerland, Jensen, July 19.
Menelaus, B.F., July 20.
Angers, M.M., July 21.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., July 21.
Japan, Gilman's, July 23.
Hector, B.F., July 24.
Hilda, Dodwell's, July 27.
Hikawa Maru, N.Y.K., July 28.
Tevere, Dodwell's, July 28.

KASHIMARU

Yuen-sang, Jardine's, June 23.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Main, Melchers, June 23.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Merioke Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Tama, B.I., June 29.
Cramer, J.C.J.L., July 2.
Nagara, Gilman's, July 4.
Anshun, B. & S., July 5.
Carignano, Dodwell's, July 5.
Athos II, M.M., July 7.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., July 7.
Takada, B.I., July 7.
Mirzapore, P. & O., July 8.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, July 12.
D'Artagnan, M.M., July 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 26.
Glenapp, Jardine's, July 27.

KASHIMARU

Kingyuan, B. & S., July 2.
Kueichow, B. & S., July 17.

PANAMA

Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., July 7.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., July 13.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., July 21.

PENANG

Yuensang, Jardine's, June 23.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Merioke Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Tama, B.I., June 29.
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Anshun, B. & S., July 5.
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Tango Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, July 12.
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Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 26.
Glenapp, Jardine's, July 27.

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Adrastus, B.F., July 2.
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Carignano, Dodwell's, July 5.
Peru, Manners, July 6.
Athos II, M.M., July 7.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, July 12.
D'Artagnan, M.M., July 21.
Diomed, B.F., July 21.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

RABAU

Bremerhaven, Melchers, June 24/25.
St. Albans, E. & A., July 3.

RANGOON

Merioke Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., July 7.

LOS ANGELES

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 30.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., July 7.
Tatsuta Maru, N.Y.K., July 8.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., July 21.

MANILA

Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., June 28.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Dorflinger, Melchers, June 27.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, July 12.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 28.

MARSEILLES

Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Main, Melchers, June 23.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Kashgar, P. & O., July 4.
Peru, Manners, July 6.
Athos II, M.M., July 7.
Patroclus, B.F., July 8.
Ramses, Jensen, July 8.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., July 11.
Oder, Melchers, July 12.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, July 12.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., July 18.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., July 19.
D'Artagnan, M.M., July 21.
Diomed, B.F., July 21.
Perim, P. & O., July 25.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 26.
Africa, Manners, July 23.

MAURITIUS

Cape St. Francis, Dodwell's, June 25.
Tinhow, Bank, July 19.

NAPLES

Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, June 23.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, June 29.

NEW GUINEA

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Foylbank, Bank, July 14.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., July 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, July 26.

NEWCHWANG

Yingchow, B. & S., June 27.
Toan, B. & S., June 29.

NORTH CHINA PORTS

Antenor, B.F., June 25.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, July 1.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., July 4.
Isar, Melchers, July 10.
Hector, B.F., July 24.

PAKHOL

Kingyuan, B. & S., July 2.
Kueichow, B. & S., July 17.

PANAMA

Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., July 7.
Tatsuno Maru, N.Y.K., July 13.
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PENANG

Yuensang, Jardine's, June 23.
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 SWATOW & BANGKOK ... "KIUNGCHOW" ... On 3rd June, 3 p.m.
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 SWATOW, FOOCHOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN... "KUEICHOW" ... On 7th July, 3 p.m.
 HONGKAI, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG ... "KIUNGCHOW" ... On 17th July, Noon

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| | Hour | Barometer | Thermometer | Wind | Direction | Force | Direction | Force | Direction | Force | Hour | Barometer | Thermometer | Wind | Direction | Force | Direction | Force | Direction | Force |
| Wladivostok | 12 | 29.72 | 75.4 | 60 | ESE | 4 | f | 6 | 29.75 | 75.5 | 68 | SE | 2 | o | | | | | | |
| Nemuro | 11 | 29.92 | 70.0 | | S | 3 | | 5 | 30.03 | 70.2 | | S | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Hakodate | " | 29.88 | 70.0 | | SSE | 1 | | " | 29.92 | 70.0 | | SSE | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Tokio | " | 29.88 | 70.0 | | NW | 1 | | " | 29.96 | 70.0 | | NW | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Kobe | " | 29.82 | 75.5 | | | | | " | 29.78 | 75.5 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nagasaki | " | 29.76 | 75.0 | | | | | " | 29.69 | 75.0 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kagoshima | " | 29.78 | 75.5 | | ESE | 1 | | " | 29.73 | 75.5 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oshima | " | 29.76 | 75.0 | | NNE | 1 | | " | 29.80 | 75.0 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Naha | " | 29.80 | 75.0 | | S | 4 | | " | 29.82 | 75.5 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ishigakijima | " | 29.78 | 75.5 | | SW | 2 | | " | 29.78 | 75.5 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bonin Island | " | 29.78 | 75.5 | | | | | " | 29.84 | 75.5 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chetoo | 15 | 29.60 | 75.1 | 78 | SSE | 2 | o | 6 | 29.57 | 75.1 | 65 | SSE | 1 | o | | | | | | |
| Shanghai | 14 | 29.62 | 75.2 | 85 | S | 2 | bc | " | 29.67 | 75.5 | 72 | SSE | 2 | bc | | | | | | |
| Gutzlaff | " | 29.81 | 75.2 | 72 | SSE | 2 | o | " | 29.72 | 75.4 | 78 | SSE | 2 | o | | | | | | |
| Wenchow | " | 29.35 | 75.1 | 74 | SSE | 2 | r | 6 | " | 29.76 | 75.5 | 77 | W | 2 | r | | | | | |
| Foochow | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | 29.73 | 75.4 | 78 | SW | 4 | r | | | | | | |
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| Pescadore | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Hong Kong | 14 | 29.66 | 75.3 | 79 | W | 1 | od | 6 | 29.73 | 75.5 | 78 | W | 1 | od | 6 | 29.73 | 75.5 | 78 | W | 1 |
| Gap Rock | " | 29.65 | 75.3 | 81 | SW | 4 | o | " | 29.74 | 75.5 | 81 | WSW | 4 | o | " | 29.74 | 75.5 | 81 | WSW | 4 |
| Macao | " | 29.64 | 75.3 | 79 | W | 4 | o | " | 29.69 | 75.4 | 77 | W | 4 | o | " | 29.69 | 75.4 | 77 | W | 4 |
| Hoihow | " | 29.71 | 75.4 | 85 | SW | 1 | o | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Pratas Island | " | 29.72 | 75.5 | 88 | SSW | 2 | o | 6 | 29.76 | 75.5 | 81 | S | 4 | o | " | 29.76 | 75.5 | 81 | S | 4 |
| Phu Lien | 16 | 29.65 | 75.3 | 88 | WSW | 2 | o | 7 | 29.69 | 75.4 | 81 | S | 2 | o | " | 29.69 | 75.4 | 81 | S | 2 |
| Tourane | " | 29.66 | 75.3 | 86 | NNW | 2 | o | " | 29.71 | 75.4 | 81 | SW | 3 | o | " | 29.71 | 75.4 | 81 | SW | 3 |
| Cape St. James | " | 29.74 | 75.5 | 95 | SW | 2 | o | " | 29.80 | 75.8 | 77 | W | 2 | o | " | 29.80 | 75.8 | 77 | W | 2 |
| Basco | 14 | 29.76 | 75.5 | 94 | S | 4 | b | 6 | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Aparr | " | 29.74 | 75.5 | 94 | S | 4 | b | 6 | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Taguigarn | " | 29.70 | 75.4 | 98 | S | 4 | b | 6 | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Vigan | " | 29.76 | 75.5 | 91 | SW | 2 | b | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Manila | " | 29.79 | 75.7 | 85 | SSW | 2 | o | " | 29.85 | 75.9 | 78 | S | 4 | o | " | 29.85 | 75.9 | 78 | S | 4 |
| Legaspi | " | 29.81 | 75.7 | 91 | ENE | 2 | o | " | 29.84 | 75.9 | 77 | S | 4 | o | " | 29.84 | 75.9 | 77 | S | 4 |
| Caluyog | " | 29.88 | 75.7 | 81 | S | 4 | b | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Tacloban | " | 29.88 | 75.7 | 85 | S | 4 | b | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Iloilo | " | 29.80 | 75.7 | 88 | SSE | 2 | o | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Cebu | " | 29.80 | 75.7 | 88 | NE | 4 | o | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Surigao | " | 29.83 | 75.7 | 77 | S | 4 | b | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Saipan | 11.00 | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Guam | 12.22 | 29.82 | 75.7 | 88 | S | 4 | b | 4.22 | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
| Yap | 11.00 | 29.80 | 75.7 | 88 | ENE | 4 | b | 5 | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |
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| Labuan | 14 | 29.82 | 75.7 | 88 | N | 6 | bef | 6 | 29.82 | 75.7 | 82 | S | 4 | o | " | 29.82 | 75.7 | 82 | S | 4 |

June 24d. 10h. 20m.—The depression appears to be central over the Gulf Pechili. Pressure is low over China and high to the East of Japan.
 Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.26 inches. Total since January 1, 32.55 inches, against an average of 35.73 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON JUNE 25.

- 1.—Shanghai to Turnabout ... S. to S.W. winds, moderate; variable, occasional rain.
- 2.—Turnabout to Hong Kong ... S.W. winds, moderate; generally cloudy.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ... S.W. winds, moderate; generally cloudy.
- 4.—Hong Kong to Hainan Straits ... S. winds, moderate; overcast.
- 5.—North China Sea ... None.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, June 24.

| | Previous On Date | On Date | at |
|----------------|------------------|------------|-----------|
| | at 4 p.m. | at 10 a.m. | at 4 p.m. |
| Barometer... | 29.07 | 29.75 | 29.69 |
| Temperature... | 81 | 84 | 86 |
| Humidity... | 78 | 76 | 70 |
| Wind... | SSW | WSW | SSW |
| Force... | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Weather... | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rain... | 0.93 | 0.00 | 0.18 |

Highest open-air Temperature, 28; 87

Lowest open-air Temperature, 24; 75

B—Blue sky; C—Cloudy; D—Drizzle; F—Fog; L—Lightning; M—Mist; O—Overcast; P—Passing showers; Q—Squalls; R—Rain; T—Thunder.

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| Day of Week | Date | HIGH WATER. | | LOW WATER. | |
|-------------|------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|
| | | Hong Kong Standard Time. | Height. | Hong Kong Standard Time. | Height. |
| Thurs. | 25 | h. m. | ft. in. | h. m. | ft. in. |
| | | 05 30 | 5 0 | 11 40 | 3 5 |
| Fri. | 26 | 17 50 | 4 2 | 23 21 | 2 3 |
| | | 06 04 | 5 5 | | |
| Sat. | 27 | 19 40 | 3 9 | 12 55 | 1 8 |
| | | 06 48 | 6 1 | 00 03 | 3 6 |
| Sun. | 28 | 20 58 | 2 0 | 13 58 | 1 1 |
| | | 07 30 | 6 7 | 00 48 | 3 9 |
| Mon. | 29 | 21 55 | 3 0 | 14 50 | 0 5 |
| | | 08 11 | 7 3 | 01 58 | 3 1 |
| Tues. | 30 | 22 45 | 4 0 | 15 39 | 0 1 |
| | | 08 50 | 7 6 | 02 03 | 3 3 |
| Wed. | 1 | 23 50 | 4 1 | 16 23 | 0 1 |
| | | 09 23 | 7 6 | 02 40 | 3 3 |
| | | | | 17 05 | 0 1 |

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